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Woods...



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The School Year Began with New Rules, New Do's, & New Attitudes

As open season was declared on yet another  year, students found that new changes had been made, and there were even more rules to follow. First, the year started a week late due to a delayed heat  schedule. Everyone was told, however, that next year they would have air conditioning, so that would be the last time summer could drag on a little longer. Then, the dreaded

S.O.L.'s were being mentioned about every  minutes. It took a year to understand the importance and the significance of the new Virginia Standards of Learning.

And, of course, everyone came back in the  *Fall* with new looks and a fresh aspect on things. Some promised to make the

Honor Roll EVERY 6 weeks, while others just vowed to pass English. Others had social aspirations to make new friends and forget old enemies. Seniors wondered who would be Valedictorian and voted Most Likely to Succeed, while some underclassmen just wanted to

escape Saturday School and have FUN! No matter who the student was, or what his or her  was, a new year opened the door to an endless amount of opportunities.



Get ready . . . Junior Lijah Robinson, left, figures it's never too early to prepare as he hides behind his

Goofy hat and PSAT Newsletter on Hat Day. Below left, Junior Josh Riddle is tackled by fellow teammates and coaches during his interview with WKPT as Player of the Week. And below, Juniors Amy Jones and Courtney Jessee participate in the wheelbarrow race at the Homecoming Pep Rally.

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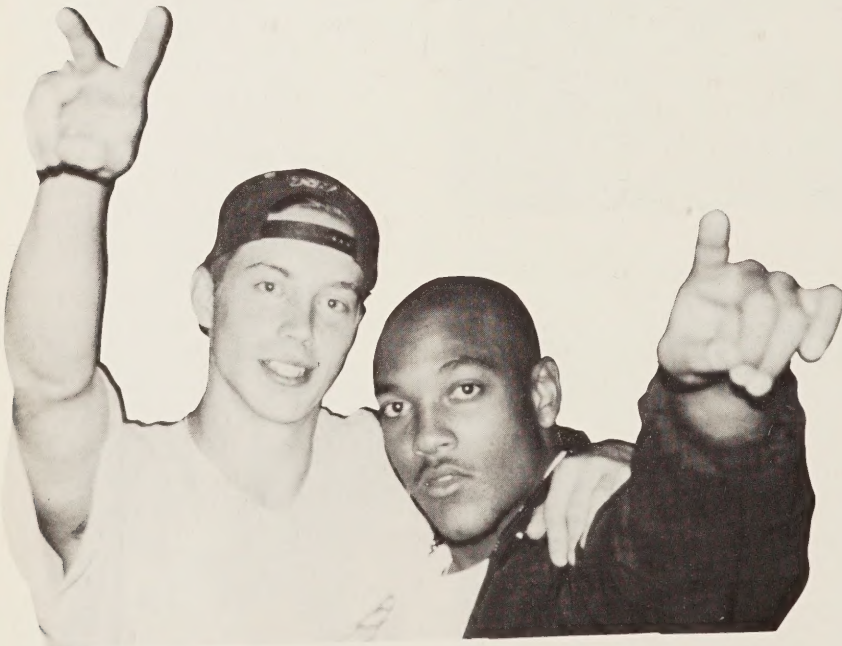
What did the most athletic student and the most studious scholar have in common? What did each class, club, and team experience alike? **STUDENT LIFE.**

Student Life consisted of scheduled traditions such as **Homecoming Week**, and the **Prom**, but it also included every day events like **locker loot** and the newest **slang** phrases. Student Life covered it all, and every student was a part of it.

Student Life was wild. It was crazy. It entertained everyone. Without it, school would have merely been books, tests, and a never-ending stream of class lectures and notes.

Who could ever forget the time Coach Poole had his St. Paul Deacon jersey torn off and ripped into shreds during a pep rally? What about the time Ms. Sabo challenged Josh Bradley to a foot race? Remember? She had to do a cartwheel in front of the entire school. No one could ever forget the Drama Boys doing their rendition of The Village People's "YMCA." And who could ever escape the toxic fumes that poured out of the dreaded shoe room at every dance? (Who said every Student Life moment was a pleasant one?)

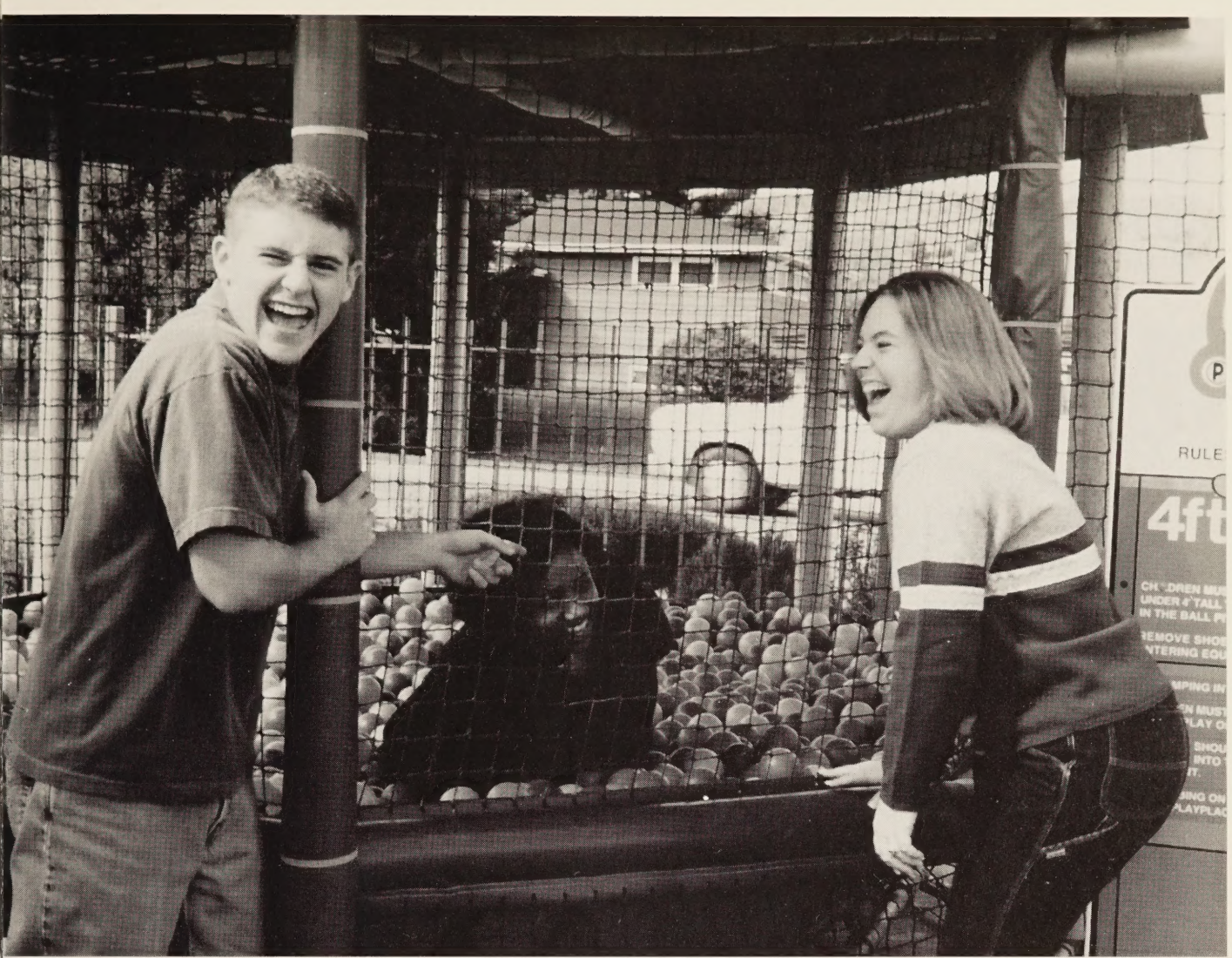
Whether it was a pep rally, an assembly, or a dance, Student Life was everywhere. It included students, teachers and even coaches. It entertained us. It amused us. It brought a refreshing break to the routines of school. It was Student Life - **it was a WILD LIFE!**



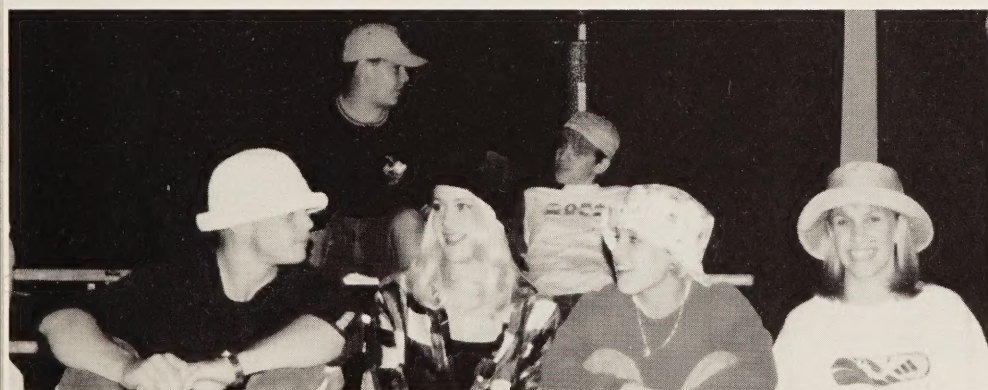
Peace . . . Sophomore James Kring and Senior Tyrone House hang out together at the First Annual Homecoming Bonfire. The bonfire, sponsored by the SCA, was a huge success as students and community members attended the festivities.

Witchy woman . . . Sophomore Astin Buckles prepares to play "Winners Take All" during the halftime show of the Honaker football game. Despite a loss to the Tigers, both the band and fans still had fun celebrating Halloween.





Playtime! . . . Seniors Jared Coffey, Alesha Roberts, and Stacey Hurd enjoy a little time out in the McDonald's playground. The Seniors stopped to eat and have fun after a field trip to SVCC. Field trips had been cut to a minimum, so these upperclassmen enjoyed their privileges to the fullest.



You're so crazy! . . . Seniors Jessica Fields and Lori Tittle seem unsure about the wild tale classmate Wesley Mullins is telling during Hat Day in choir, while Freshman Jeana Willis smiles just in time for the camera. There were several smiles during this festive Homecoming Week as rules such as "no hats in the building" were bent.



Pep it up! . . . The freshman class, led by Jennifer Puckett, Jessica Chafin, Rebecca Brandon, and Kayela Elam, pose proudly during the Homecoming Pep Rally. After a fun week of dressing wild and competing in various contests, the student body let it all out during THE pep rally of the year. As usual, the pep rally was held in the old gym during seventh period on the last day of Homecoming Week, and was led by Football Head Coach Mike Roberson. The gym was colorfully decorated by each inspired class and was filled with an array of blue and white. Students could be seen all week with painted faces, spirit bandanas, and a variety of fun-filled fan attire. During the pep rally, the Spirit King and Queen were crowned and class officers and players competed in some hilarious games. In addition, spirit links were counted and a Homecoming Prize Package was awarded by the freshman class.

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You Ever Guess?
Quiz Yourself On
Homecoming

1. The class members that purchased the most spirit links were the:
 - A. juniors.
 - B. Seniors.
 - C. sophomores.
 - D. freshmen.
2. The first annual bonfire was held on a:
 - A. Monday.
 - B. Tuesday.
 - C. Friday.
 - D. Wednesday.
3. The class that won the wheelbarrow race was the:
 - A. freshman class.
 - B. junior class.
 - C. Senior Class.
 - D. 8th grade class.
4. The football player who won the sack race was:
 - A. Jared Coffey.
 - B. Wesley Mullins.
 - C. Tyrone House.
 - D. Roy Couch.

True blue fans . . .

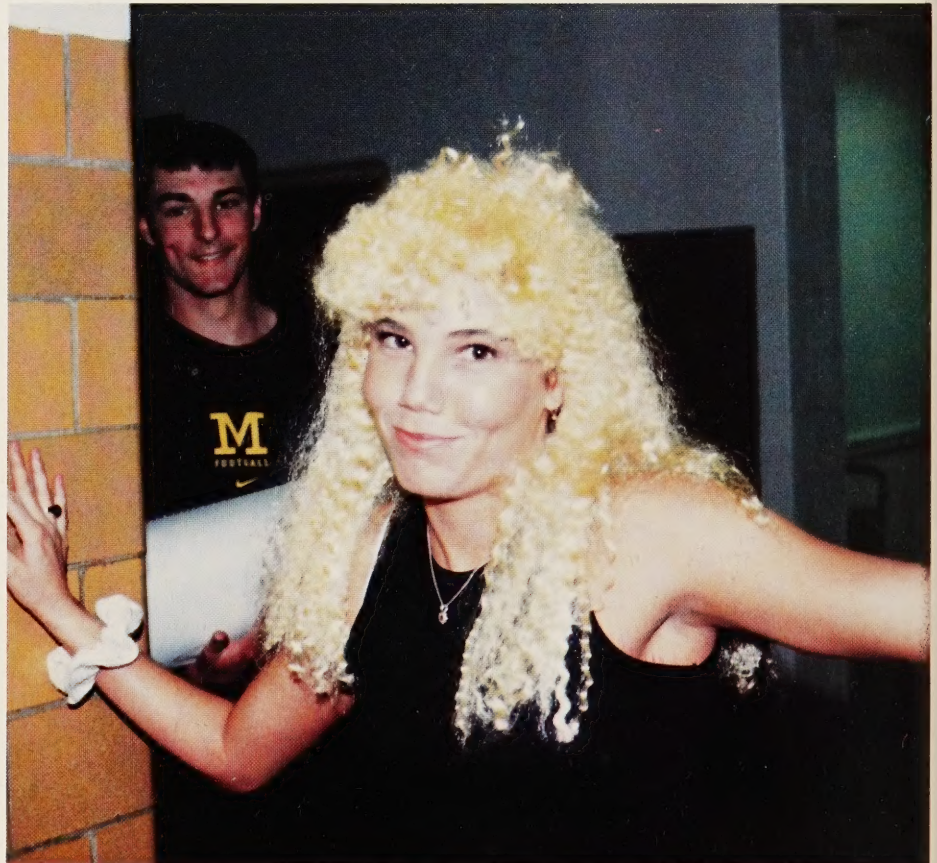
An excited group
of spirited
sophomores
proudly participates
and
displays their blue
and
white attire at the
end of

a long Homecoming
Week. The Annual
Pep Rally was once
again, by tradition,
held in the old gym
during seventh
period.

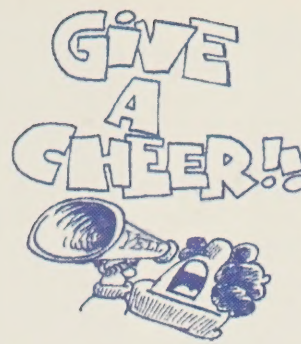
Students enjoyed a
sack race, spirit link
and spirit stick
contests, a human
wheelbarrow race, a
hula hoop relay and
lots of loud cheers.



80's flashback . . . Senior Katy Dickenson models her 80's attire on Favorite Decade Day. Katy was never shy when it came to participating in school spirit events.



Natural blonde . . . Junior Brandon Bush watches as Junior McKinsey Huff shows off her hair outside Ms. Gibson's room on Wild Hair Day. Students could be found in a variety of hilarious and creative wigs and original styles.



The Student Body Showed Spirit During Homecoming Week

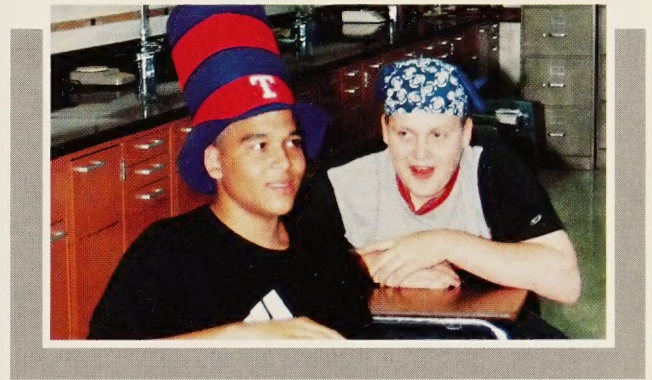
Homecoming Week was a time to get out of the usual routine of student life and show school spirit amid originality. It was filled with excitement, chaos, and of course, loads of fun! Homecoming festivities allowed students and teachers alike to become "cheerleaders" for a week. It allowed the entire student body to show their enthusiasm for the football team. Junior Carmen Smith said, *"It was really great to see everyone cheer on the Blue Devils."*

Students enjoyed coming up with original and wild ideas. They showed just how creative they were on days such as Wild Hair Day, Decade Day, Blue and White Day, Hat Day, and Camouflage Day. They were willing to go to great lengths and do anything to let the football team know they were appreciated. *"It was cool because the whole school's true blue spirit showed,"* said Sophomore Matt Brooks. Everyone gave great support, and the pep rally was awesome. Homecoming Week was full of fun activities that led up to the big game.



Can you dig it? . . . Freshman Travis Milgrim celebrates Decade Day, a favorite new event among students, during his lunch in the cafeteria.

Hats on . . . Eighth graders Jason White and Jacob Townes proudly display their choices of headgear on Hat Day in physical science class.



HOMEcoming

King and Queen of Spirit

"It was cool because I got a Snickers and a Burger King hat."

—Ray Mullins, Sophomore



"I was really excited because I had never won anything before!"

—Rebecca Milgrim, Senior



H O M E C O M I N G '98

Students Came Out on Homecoming Night to Show Their School Spirit

Football players and cheerleaders anxiously waited. Attendants and escorts were dressed in their best. Homecoming Night was here. After a spirit-packed week, the big game against the Ervinton Rebels had arrived.

"Homecoming Night was special to me because it was my Senior year and the last chance I would have to take part in the Homecoming events," commented Senior Crystal Smith. As the half-time event

started, nervousness swept the air. However, regardless of internal feelings and emotions, Homecoming Night could not be ruined. As Senior Alesha Roberts said, "Homecoming was great, even though I was nervous about walking out on the field at half-time."

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—Alesha Roberts, Senior

At the conclusion of the half-time festivities was the crowning of the Homecoming Queen. The student body voted this prestigious honor to Senior Amber Phillips.

The evening was fabulous for all who attended, especially the football team. They pulled together for a win against the Rebels.

This victory set the mood for the biggest dance of the year. Following the game, students packed into the gym. They were

ready for dancing. As usual, D.J. Benny Mays provided great music and a wonderful conclusion to the perfect evening.

Lots of school spirit, a victory, and a fabulous dance were all components of a spectacular Homecoming Night!

How Could Homecoming Night Have Been Better?



11 out of 50 students surveyed responded, "If I had seen Brad Pitt or Cindy Crawford."



18 replied, "If the dance had been on Saturday night then I would have had longer to dance."



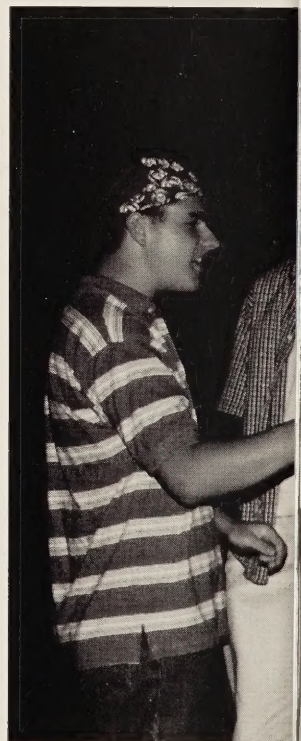
4 simply admitted, "If I'd gone to the game or the dance."



2 responded, "If I'd stayed home."



15 replied with various other responses such as, "If I could have stayed with my boyfriend/girlfriend longer," and "It couldn't have been any better."



Just the guys . . . Jonathan Cozzolino, Travis Jessee, Michael Sutherland, and Justin Wallace socialize at the dance.



We're all game . . . The football players are bringing it down as they tear through the team sign held by the cheerleaders at the start of the Homecoming Game. Other runthroughs were made by various classes in lieu of floats, and were used during the pep rally.

Homecoming Attendants



8th Grade Attendant

and Escort . . .

Jaclyn Byerley

and Wesley Hall.



Freshman Escort

and Attendant . . .

Jacob Holbrook

and Jessica Clevinger.



Sophomore Attendant

and Escort . . .

Jessica Cain

and Marcus Sizemore.



Junior Escort

and Attendant . . .

Chad Fields

and Carmen Smith.



Senior Attendant

and Escort . . .

Naomah Bush

and Justin Collins.

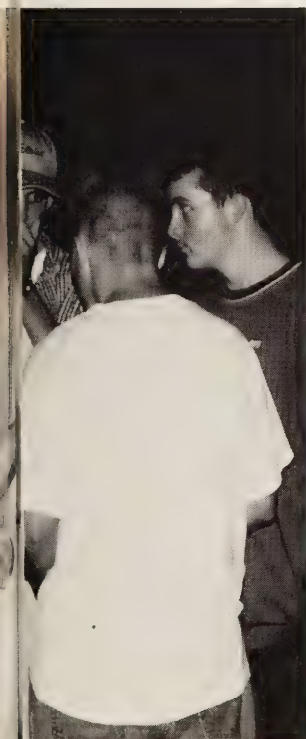


Senior Escort

and Attendant . . .

Josh Kite

and Brianne Casteel.



Once again, the Homecoming Dance was sponsored by the Journalism Class to raise funds for the production of this yearbook.



Crowning moment . . . Mr. Glover proudly crowns Senior Amber Phillips as Homecoming Queen. Amber was escorted onto the field by fellow Senior, Brandon Willis during the annual Homecoming Half-Time Festivities.

It's a Jungle Out There

Fair Day Proved to be Another Fun Tradition

The Russell County Fair and Horse Show proved, once again, to be exciting to each person who attended. It served as a multi-purpose "theme park" that offered something for everyone. Students especially looked forward to getting out of school early on Friday to attend the fun-filled fair festivities.

"My favorite part of the fair was the horse show."

—Traci Long,
Sophomore

While Traci was sure of her preference, Senior Billy Wright could not decide what he liked best and replied, *"I can't pick out my favorite thing about the fair because everything was great!"*

Each student who attended Fair Day was sure to find something they enjoyed, whether it was

friends, food, or time away from school, and its end left many sweaty, tired, and nauseous from the carnival rides. But, as they deserted the grounds, each student wistfully awaited the fair's return.



Wood You Ever Guess?

Top 10 Little-Known Facts About Fair Day

10. This was the first year the "Hillbilly RV" was parked outside the fair.
9. The water wheel beside Old McDonald's Farm did not turn.
8. Fair Day was once held in Lebanon.
7. There was an age limit on the greased pig race.
6. The greased pig was not greased at all.
5. Most students went to Fair Day to socialize.
4. Mrs. Milton's sister ran the barbecue pit.
3. There was a skull on top of the rock climbing wall.
2. There was an earless goat in Old McDonald's Farm.
1. The balloon man's name was Dana.



To infinity and beyond . . . Above Senior Katy Dickenson is trying to make her way to the top of the rock climbing wall at the fair to achieve, as she puts it, *"the ultimate fair experience."* Senior Stephanie Mullins, below, concentrates hard on the little boy's face that she is painting. Face painting was exciting for most students because they were able to practice their artistic abilities on live subjects. The rock climbing wall, however, was a daring challenge for brave adventurers. While the rock climbing wall was a new edition to the fair, the art students had participated in the tradition of face painting for the past two years. Whether they were on the ground or soaring high above it, everyone enjoyed Fair Day at his or her own point of view.



What Carnival Ride Would You Choose if You had to be Stuck on it for the Rest of Your Life?

4 students out of the 50 surveyed

answered, **"Carousel."**



12 replied, **"Scat."**



13 students said other rides such as,

"Teacup," "Gravitron," and

"Scrambler."



21 responded, **"Radar."**



*"The best part
about Fair Day
was getting out of
school, but the fair
itself was really
cool."*

—Cheri Wagner,
Senior

Hang on to your trousers because it's gonna be a wild ride . . . Above, Juniors Crystal Keith and Lorena Kiser fly by the seat of their pants while riding the *Hurricane* at the fair. Students who rode this ride were living dangerously considering two seat compartments were already off limits because they had mechanical problems. Below, Seniors Vicky Collins and Jessica Hicks eagerly wait for a ride on the *Radar* to start. Sitting behind them, Junior Amy Phillips is trying to assure Senior Tonya Amos that the ride will soon get started. Fair-goers were sometimes forced to stand in line for long periods of time before getting on a ride. Students were able to ride unlimited rides on Fair Day for only eight dollars a pop. What a deal for a chance to get a bird's eye view of Fair Day!

Locker

"The best thing about having a locker is you can just throw anything in there!"

—Pamela Gordon, Eighth Grader



The Secrets of the High School Locker Revealed

"The best thing about having a locker is you can just throw anything in there!" said Eighth Grader Pamela Gordon. Sophomore Matt Justice said he kept his locker stocked with, *"Food!"* Senior Travis Jessee said his locker was full of, *"Junk"*. Whatever kind of loot students kept, one thing was certain: there was no limit to the creativity that could be found in the rows of lockers that lined the hallways. Many students chose to express their personality by plastering their lockers with magazine cut-outs, pictures of their friends and favorite stars, and stickers. Others were satisfied with having a plain locker.

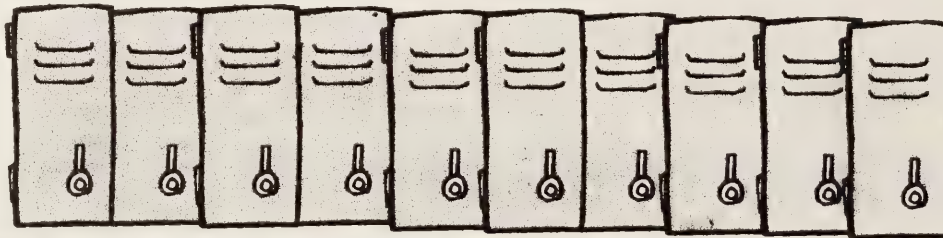
Lockers provided students with their own space. No one



could tell them what to put in it or when they had to clean it out.

When asked to describe their locker, 14% of the fifty students surveyed said theirs was *"neat and clean"*, 27% considered theirs to be *"a total disaster area"*, and 59% had *"somewhat organized"* lockers. Sophomore James Kring confessed, *"A total disaster area doesn't begin to describe my locker!"*

By the end of the year, just about every student could relate to this feeling. As the last days of school rolled around, students brought out the trash cans and threw away the accumulation of old test papers, torn up notebooks, broken pencils, and other clutter that the average student collected in his or her locker.



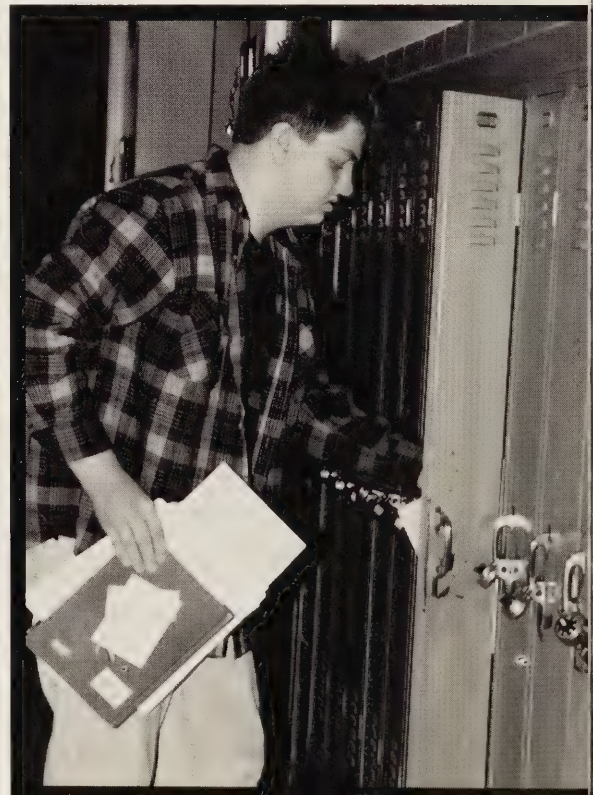
"The best thing about having a locker is you can shove 8th graders in them!"
—Roy Couch, Senior



"The best thing about a locker is having a place to store all your bad grades!"
—Jason Helbert, Freshman

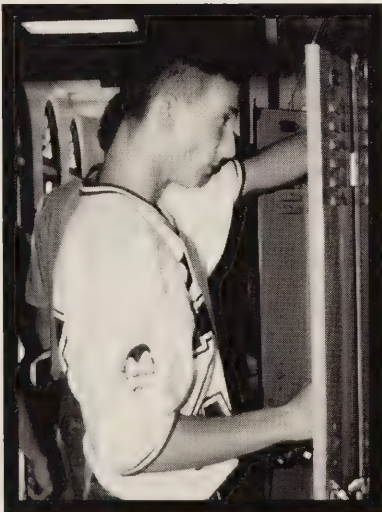


Making it fit . . . Eighth grader Nora Cook stuffs her notebook in her locker before heading to sixth period. Students were given only three minutes between classes to go to their lockers and get to class before the bell rang.



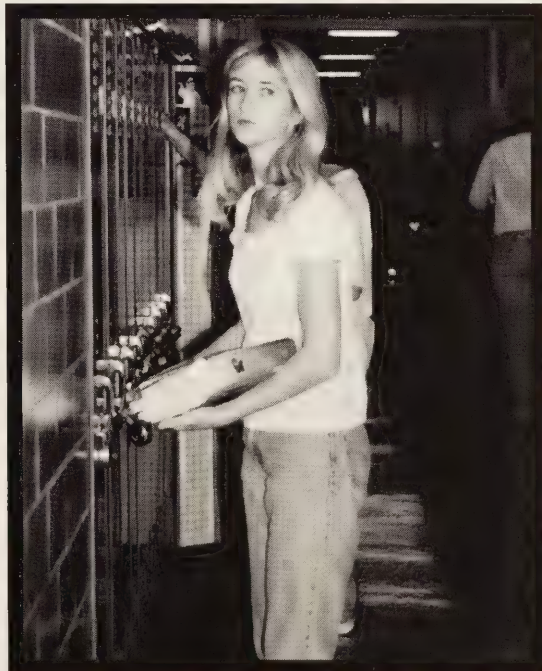


Real
life
locker
loot . . .
Sophomore
Jessica
Amburgey
cleans out
her locker
after
cheerleading
practice.
Cleaning was
not a
favorite
activity
among
students,
but it
was
something
that had
to be
done.



I know it's in here . . . Junior David Crabtree searches for a pencil in the top of his locker. "Do you have a pencil I could borrow?" was a popular question heard in the halls.

Daily routine . . . Junior Jeff Stevens grabs his English book out of his locker across from the office.

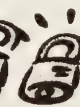


Do I have to go to class? . . . Senior Amanda Mays looks a little less than enthused about going to her fourth period class.

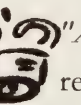
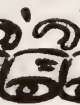
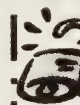
Can You Remember

Your Locker Combination?

"Never," answered
21% of the 50
students surveyed.



"Sometimes,"
said 32%.



"Always,"
replied 47%.

Can You Remember

Yours?

On Target

Getting Out of Class Hit the Spot for Students at the Yearbook Signing Party

The Second Annual Yearbook Signing Party was a tremendous success. Everyone enjoyed being out of class and in the company of friends. "My favorite part of the Yearbook Signing Party was hanging out with my friends," said sophomore Nicole Baker. The party gave everyone a chance to relax and reminisce together. The refreshments were great and D.J. Benny Mays kept everyone jammin' to great tunes. Smiles shone on every face.

"It was different for me because I had never been to one before."

—Danielle Burke, Junior

It was also wonderful seeing Coach Poole, Coach Roberson, and Officer Hutchinson get whipped cream everywhere at the pie throwing booth.

Being with friends, listening to great music, and munching on goodies was a great combination. "It was different for me because I had never been to one before," said Junior Danielle Burke. All in all, the Second Annual Yearbook Signing Party was an event that would not be easily forgotten.

Take that . . .

Freshman

Traci Poole

willingly

smears a pie

on Coach

Poole's face

on the lawn

outside of the

old cafeteria.

This event

proved to be

the favorite

among students

at the party

as they lined

up to pay \$1

per pie, or \$2

for a close

range shot.



Bombs
away!

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Senior
Wesley

Mullins

seems

pleased with

his

football

door

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The
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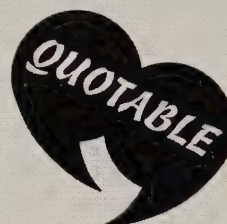
away lots

of cool

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Yearbook Signing Party



What was the greatest part of the Yearbook Signing Party?



"The best part of the Yearbook Signing Party was getting out of class."

—Kayela Elam, Freshman

"I enjoyed the Yearbook Signing Party because I got to see some of my old friends that had already graduated."

—Melinda Breeding, Junior





Hanging out . . . Freshman Jessica Chafin checks out the party while Junior Courtney Jessee writes a message to a friend in a yearbook.



Take a look . . . Sophomore Melissa Boyd and Senior Chris Snipes seem to enjoy looking at photos together and looking back over the previous year.

Which teacher would you most like to pie at the

Yearbook Signing Party?



28% of

50

people surveyed



14% of 50

people

surveyed



10% of

50

people surveyed

48% said Coach Allen, Coach Wells, or Ms. Sabo!

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Do You Know Your International Slang? Take This Quiz and See!

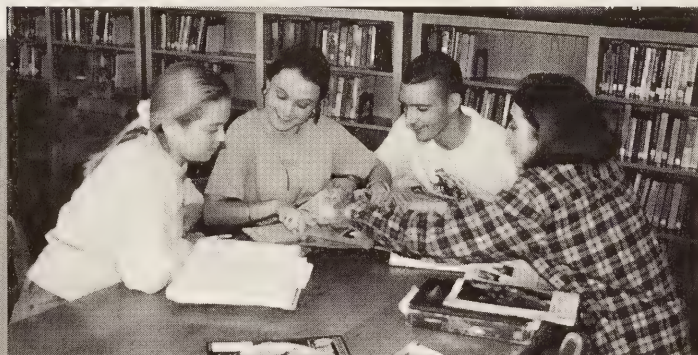
1. The slang word in England for a policeman is a:
A. bluey.
B. bobby.
C. bower.
D. barney.
2. In Australia, the slang word for a person with red hair is:
A. bluey.
B. bugger.
C. arber.
D. brightly.
3. The slang term "glucksbringers" in the Bavarian language refers to:
A. good luck charms.
B. pets.
C. presents.
D. pencils.

Tell me more,
tell me more . . .
Jessica Cain tells
some of her
sophomore buds
a wild tale in
the library. Talking
in
the library was
a rare privilege for
students considering
the library was
supposed to be a
place for silent
studying. These
students were
lucky for this
opportunity to
talk.



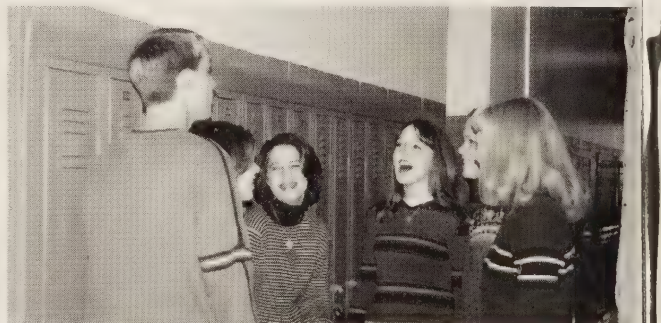
Look everybody . . . Seniors Crystal Smith, Tracy Meade, and Stephanie Mullins, and Sophomore Ray Mullins discuss vocabulary words in the library.

Listen to this . . . Damara Fields, Asha Patrick, Emily Puckett and Pamela Gordon laugh at Asha's amusing story in the cafeteria during their lunch period.



Remember
when? . . .

Seniors
Crystal Smith
and Veronica
Mays talk
about their
childhood
days during
the drama
performance,
Games.



Did you hear . . . Junior Travis Nash tells a joke to Eighth Graders Tara Carpenter, Candace Justice, Trista Hicks, Krista Honaker, and Stevie Willis. The halls were a top spot to get comic relief during school.



Shoot Your Mouth Off

Students Expressed Their Freedom of Speech

The entire student body always had a way of inventing trends. From clothes to hair styles, almost anything was acceptable. This also proved true in language as each generation of students modified their speech to fit to their lifestyles.

Where did students come up with this postal slang, "*That is da bomb?*" Everywhere. Favorite movies offered some catch phrases. The popular *Clueless* phrase, "*Whatever,*" was heard in the halls as an interjection. *Forrest Gump* provided the opener, "*Like mama always says . . .*" that came up in many conversations. Songs also provided some catch phrases. Perhaps Coach Shortt said it best when he often stated, "*Here's your sign!*"

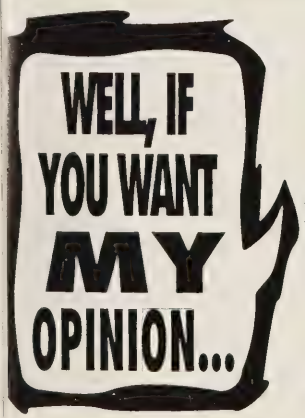
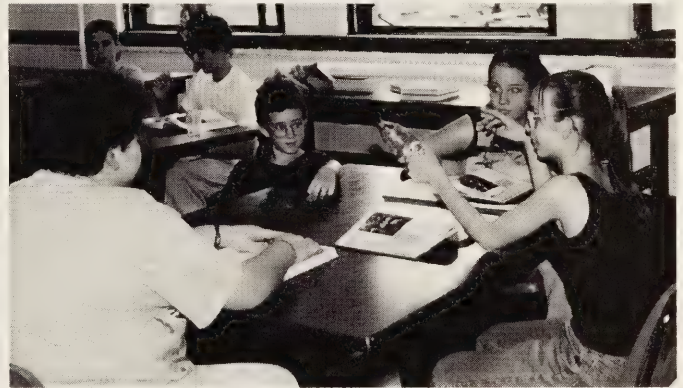
In addition to media influence, students created their own personal slang. "*I have no idea where I came up with the word tweener, but I use it a lot,*" said Junior Ashley Addington.

Whether the influence was external or internal, slang varied from person to place. It gave the student body a way to exercise their voices and their right of freedom of speech.



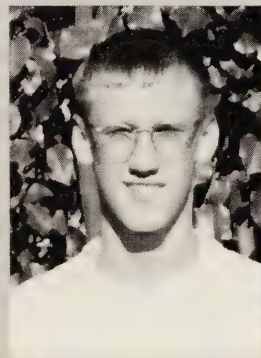
What's funny? . . . Sophomores Cindy Bradley and Jennifer White trying to figure out what Jessica Amburgey is laughing at in the shoe room.

Let me tell you . . . Eighth graders Amanda Stevens, Matt Nickles, Jessica Younce, and Tonya Ramsey have a ridiculous discussion in home-ec class.

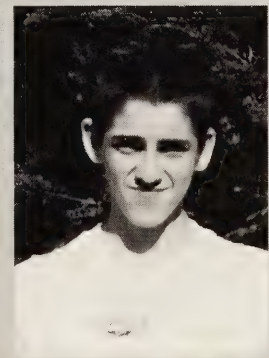


What's
Your
Favorite
Slang
Phrase?

"You better know your role!"
—Chad Fields, Junior



"Cool beans, man!"
— David Hileman, Eighth Grader





How Sweet it is

Basketball Homecomings Were More Than Just Another Ballgame

Homecomings were games that were like no other. The preparation, the decorating, the frenzy of it all — Homecomings were special events that involved the entire student body. They gave them a chance to cheer on the team as well as an opportunity to select students to represent their school, their class, and their community.

Amanda Vicars won the title of Boys' Basketball Homecoming Queen, while Jared Coffey reigned as Girls' Basketball Homecoming King.

Fans supported the Homecoming Court, but they were also there to watch the games. During the girls' game, freshman Sheena Austin remembered, "The team received a lot of

support from the fans and the entire student body." Students also came out to support the guys on their Homecoming Night. Junior Travis Nash

bragged, "Homecoming was a special time. It made the team want to play harder. And . . . beating St. Paul made the victory sweeter!" How sweet it was!

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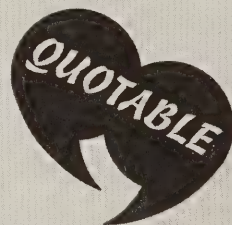
—Travis Nash, Junior

Go big blue! . . . The cheerleaders hold up their run-through as the team begins to make an extraordinary entrance at the Homecoming game against the St. Paul Deacons. All of the cheerleaders took hours out of their day to create the perfect Homecoming sign.



Catch this . . .

Senior Brianne Casteel hurls the ball to a teammate in hopes of winning the game. Her remark about the Homecoming was "Girls' Basketball Homecoming was fun but sad because it was my last one. I've enjoyed playing basketball for many years here at Castlewood High School with my friends and under Coach Sabo. I will miss all the good times that I have had here at Castlewood." The game was a spectacular sight to see. Although the girls lost to the Thomas Walker Patriots by a score of 65 to 68, they still came out on top at the end of the season.



How did it feel to be crowned Homecoming Queen/King?



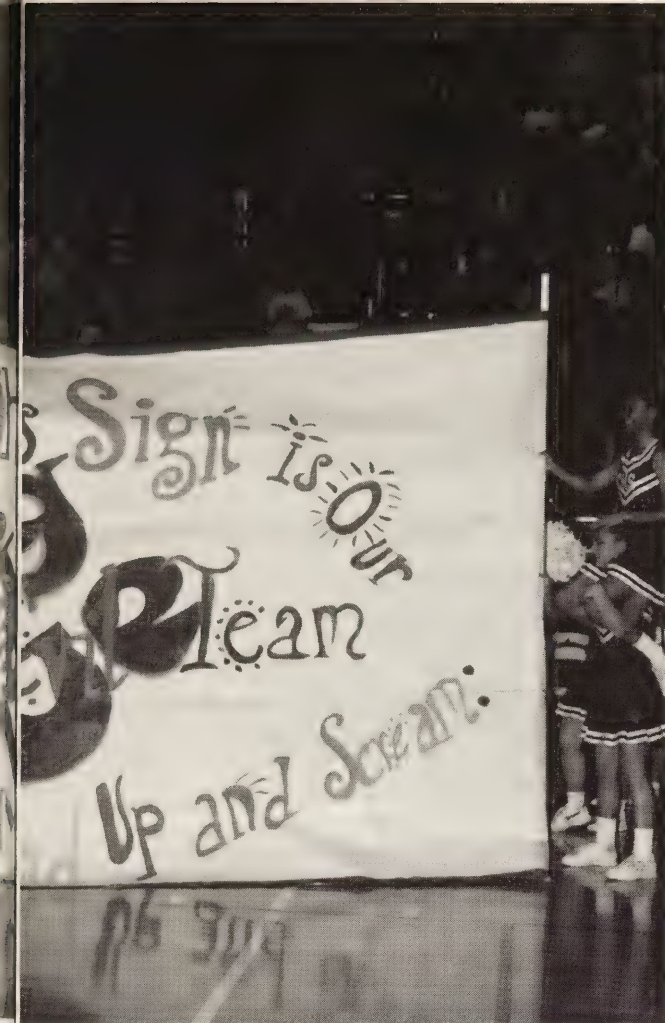
"It was very exciting and surprising. I was very proud!"

—Amanda Vicars, Boys' Basketball Homecoming Queen

"I was very honored to think that many people voted for me!"

—Jared Coffey, Girls' Basketball Homecoming King





Hoop dreams . . . Senior Varsity Player Natasha Fields, number 20, gives it all that she has as she shoots another jumpshot at the Girls' Basketball Homecoming Game played against the Thomas Walker Pioneers. Although basketball may have been Natasha's favorite sport, and she also planned to continue playing basketball on the college level, Natasha made her mark in other varsity high school sports as well, such as softball and volleyball.



Air Bradley . . . Junior Josh Bradley, number 32, shows off his layup moves during the Boys' Basketball Homecoming Game played against local rivals, the St. Paul Deacons. The team was victorious over the Deacons with a final sweet score of 81 to 67.



"Homecoming was a great experience!"

—Casey Dotson,
Boys' Basketball Homecoming
Eighth Grade Escort

The Factor I Looked for Most in Voting for a Homecoming Queen/King Was His or Her:

"Popularity," said 2 of the
50 students surveyed.

"Reputation," replied 7 others.

"Friendliness," answered 17
more.

"Personality," responded
the other 24 students.



Wood

You Ever Guess?
Test Your Knowledge of
the Musical

1. The hero of the whole drama was:
A. Alex Fenton.
B. Wheels.
C. Wilbur.
D. Mr. Hawkins.
2. The Radio Announcer in the first performance was:
A. Coach Kiser.
B. Coach Roberson.
C. Mrs. Wallace.
D. Mr. Glovier.
3. The rock star was:
A. Curtis Jackson.
B. Plotsky.
C. Felix.
D. Wilbur.
4. The nerds of the musical were:
A. Felix and Vickie.
B. Wilbur and Bertha.
C. Wheels and Alice.
D. Tony and Babs.

Don't be Shy . . .

Junior Courtney

Jessee and Senior

Darrell Taylor play

the roles of Bertha

and Wilbur, two

shy kids in love.

Although their

characters were shy

and goofy,

Courtney and

Darrell knew first-

hand that shy

people could not

get up on stage and

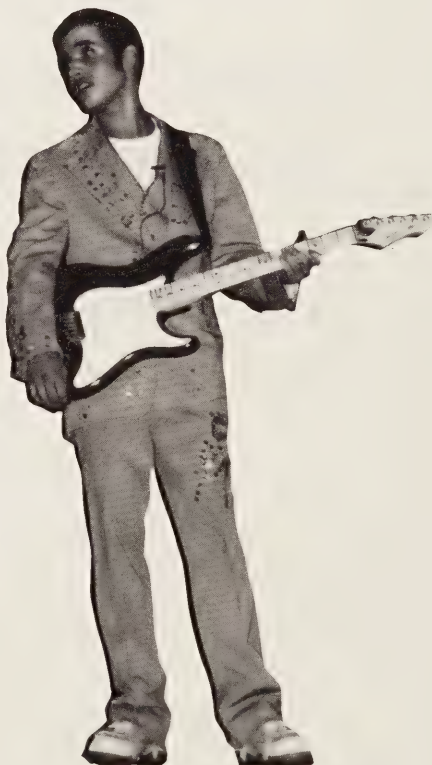
perform in front of

the community.



Rockin' the
stage . . .

Senior Mickey Collins, who played rock star Curtis Jackson, rocks the auditorium while singing "Elvis, Buddy, and Me" during the first act of the musical. The musical consisted of two acts in which twenty-eight talented actors and actresses got to strut their stuff and show off their incredible abilities to sing, dance, and above all, to act. While some roles were not as big as others, each character in the musical was equally entertaining.



That old time rock and roll . . . Junior Becky Meade doesn't look a bit nervous as she enthusiastically sings "Bobby Sock Hop" as Laura Carter during act one of the musical. The creative costumes and set decorated with fifties memorabilia really added to the delight of the musical.

Blast From the Past

The Musical Proved to Be a Rockin' Good Time



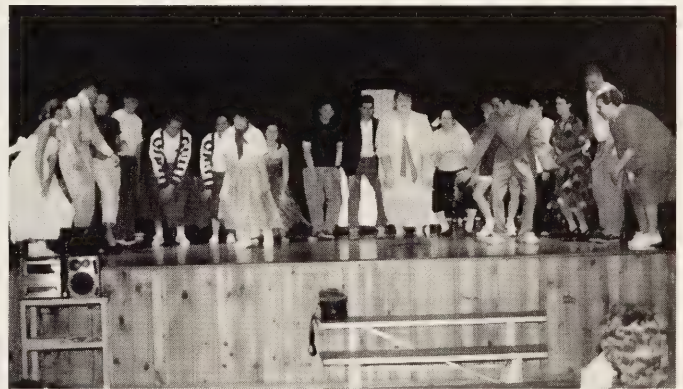
A cafe covered in Elvis Presley posters, a jukebox in the corner, motorcycles and leather jackets. . . it all could only have meant one thing: *Ducktails and Bobbysox*. The musical presented life as a teenager in the nineteen fifties. The cast consisted of members from drama and choir.

All of the cast members seemed to be very proud of their roles. *"The musical was a very good learning experience, and it was very fun. The character I play, Plotsky, is afraid of W'heels, the gang leader. Plotsky is a very dumb guy,"* explained Freshman Josh Banner. And Junior Jeff Stevens, who played Felix, said, *"Felix was the real star. He was an emotional character. He reflected my inner self. I am proud to be the star, the true star, of the musical."*

Well, maybe everyone couldn't have a lead role, but each cast member portrayed his or her character the best way possible. They held nothing back and put on what most would agree was the best musical in the history of the school.

The big finale . . . The Bobbysoxers, the Yellow Jackets, and the rest of the cast members team up for a final pose in the last scene.

Everybody Charleston . . . The cast of the musical perform "Homecoming Rock" during act two. The upbeat musical and dance numbers kept the audience alive.



What Did You Like Best About the Musical *Ducktails and Bobbysocks?*

"It was a new and exciting experience. I look forward to participating in another musical."

—Jeana Willis, Freshman



"I enjoyed the friendly atmosphere and being able to take part in such a wonderful musical production. Can't wait 'till next year!"
—Lindsey Davenport, Junior

QUOTABLE

Wonderful Tonight

Dreams Became Reality on Prom Night

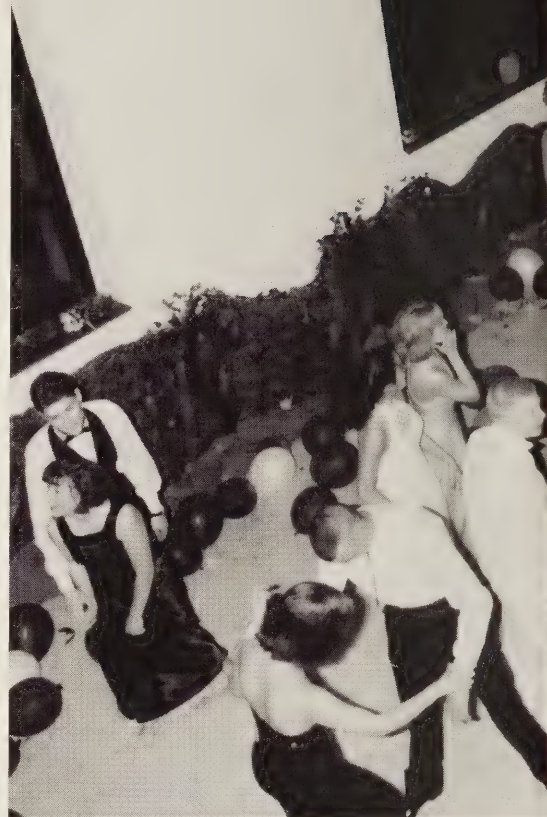
A night of dancing, everyone in their most elegant finery, lots of balloons and decorations, and music blasting from the speakers in the new gym's foyer added up to only one thing: the most anticipated night of the year for juniors and Seniors — Prom Night. Many spent three or four months in advance preparing for this special event. To some, it was a hassle to use most of their spare time getting ready. "Can't wait 'till all of this stuff is over with!," exclaimed Junior Eli Hancock.

"I have a feeling it will be a night to remember."

—Amy Phillips, Junior

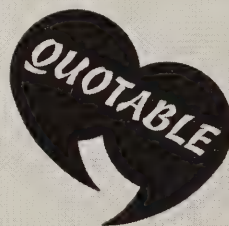
However the wait and worry was worth it when it came right down to that magical excursion. "I have a feeling it will be a night to remember," agreed Junior Amy Phillips. The theme was Wonderful Tonight, and indeed, it was a wonderful night. Complete with a romantic garden setting and glittering confetti, it was a mix of nostalgia and new ideas brought on by the junior class. With a touch of music, the dream of dancing and good times quickly became a reality for everyone who went.

Looking
wonderful
tonight . . .
Prom-goers
cover the dance
floor of the
new gym foyer
on Prom
Night.
The Electric
99.3 D.J.
played
a variety of
music selections
such as
rock, country,
and pop to
please
everyone's
varying
musical tastes.



Prom

Disco King and Queen . . . "It was great having Wendy be my Queen for a night!," exclaimed Senior Brandon Willis. "Being Prom Queen was the highlight of my Prom Night," said Senior Wendy Dollarhyde.



How did it
feel to be
crowned
Prom
Princess/
Prince?

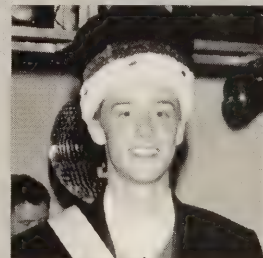


"I was surprised. I didn't think I would win!"

—Jessica Hogg,
Prom Princess

"Being crowned Prince was a great honor. It capped off a great night that I will never forget!"

—Travis Nash,
Prom Prince





In the house . . . Senior Tyrone House and Junior Danielle Holbrook enjoy being the center of attention as they dance together at the Prom, while Junior Lindsey Davenport mingles in the background. Many students not only enjoyed dancing and mingling, but also the food! Whether prom-goers wanted to be seen or whether they just wanted to hang out at the buffet and look at everyone else, everyone had fun just the same.



"Prom was more fun than a barrel of monkeys!"
—Shane Kenyon,
Junior

***i Would Love to Have Pulled Up
to the Prom in a:***

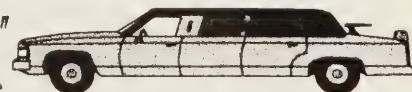
"Rolls-Royce," said 1 of the 50
prom-goers surveyed.



"Mercedes-Benz," replied 4 others.

"Classic stretch limousine,"

answered 9 more.



"Dodge Viper GTS," said

36 sports car

fanatics.



Breakin' loose . . . Senior Tonya Amos and Junior Jeff Stevens show everyone that they can really boogie down on the dance floor. The Prom was a time for some students to reveal their hidden dancing talents.

Wood

You Ever Guess?
Quiz Yourself on the
Pageant

- Entertainment was provided by:
 - Benny Mays.
 - the students and faculty.
 - the Ecology Club.
 - Wynonah Bush.
- The theme song for the Miss C.H.S. dance was:
 - "Venus."
 - "The Bird."
 - "Kiss from a Rose."
 - "Welcome to the Jungle."
- The main color used in the set decoration was:
 - green.
 - blue.
 - yellow.
 - black.
- An accessory used during the dance was a:
 - backpack.
 - butterfly nest.
 - pair of binoculars.
 - walking stick.

Have you heard
about a brand
new dance?
It's called "The
Bird!" . . . Seniors
Brianne Casteel,
Lori Tittle,
Jessica Hogg, and
Alesha Roberts
dance to
"The Bird" during
the Miss C.H.S.
Pageant while
sporting their
adventurous
safari attire
and straw
hats.



Miss C.H.S. Winners . . . Jessica Hogg, People's Choice; Courtney Jessee, 4th Runner-Up; Amber Phillips, 3rd Runner-Up and Miss Congeniality; Greta Jessee, Miss C.H.S.; Lori Tittle, 1st Runner-Up and Most Photogenic; Amanda Saddler, 2nd runner-up; Vicky Smith, Most Sponsors; and Tara Carpenter, Jr. Miss People's Choice.

Finishing touches . . . Senior Lori Tittle gets some last minute help from her aunt before going out to make her appearance in front of the audience and judges.



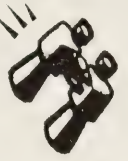
Take 5 . . .
Seniors Amber Phillips, Stephanie Mullins, Amanda Saddler, and Junior Lindsey Davenport enjoy a break during the pageant before the curtain opens again.



Mr. C.H.S. Participants . . . FIRST ROW: Derick Allen, Amanda Johnson, and Jessica McCulley. **BACK ROW:** Casey Dotson, Cody Cress, Ray Mullins, Brandon Willis, Mr. C.H.S. Jared Coffey, Duran Dutton, and Jonathan Cozzolino.

A Safari Adventure

The Pageant Was a Far
Cry From Its Tame
Beginnings



A different kind of crowd filled the auditorium. In addition to the students and spectators, lions, zebras, and birds also made up the herd. At first glance, one might have thought the circus was in town. However, with the make-up, hair, and evening gowns behind the scenes, the obvious scenario was left. It was the night of the "Safari" themed beauty pageant. With this *wild* theme, up-beat dances, and stiff competition, the evening proved to be exciting! When asked about the pageant's theme and attire, Senior Alesha Roberts stated, *"The Safari Adventure theme allowed us to wear clothes that were easier and more comfortable to dance in."*

The evening began with the Junior Miss competition, then the "surprising" Mr. C.H.S. Contest. The best was saved for last when it was concluded with the Miss Competition. The pageant's coordinator, Sherry Allen, proudly said, *"This year's pageant was an especially enjoyable year because of the 38 hard-working contestants and, without a doubt, the Mr. C.H.S. Pageant was the funniest it's ever been!"*

Jungle fever . . . Eighth Grader Trista Hicks and "Jungle Bob," (Coach Sabo), show off for the crowd during the Jr. Miss Division.

Jr. Miss C.H.S. Winners . . . Jr. Miss and Most Photogenic, Courtney King; Jaclyn Byerley, 1st Runner-Up; Traci Poole, 2nd Runner-Up and Miss Congeniality; Alisha Cox, 3rd Runner-Up; and Jessica Amburgey, 4th Runner-Up.



How

Did It

Feel To

Win?

QUOTABLE

"It was very surprising, honorable, and exciting to be chosen as Jr. Miss C.H.S.!"

—Courtney King,
Jr. Miss C.H.S.



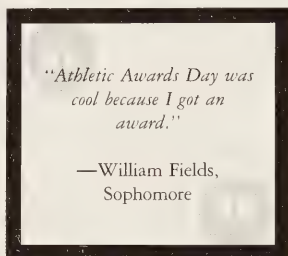
"I didn't expect it; but, I'm happy I won. It was a lot of fun. Good luck to next year's girls!"

—Greta Jessee,
Miss C.H.S.

Out of the Woodwork

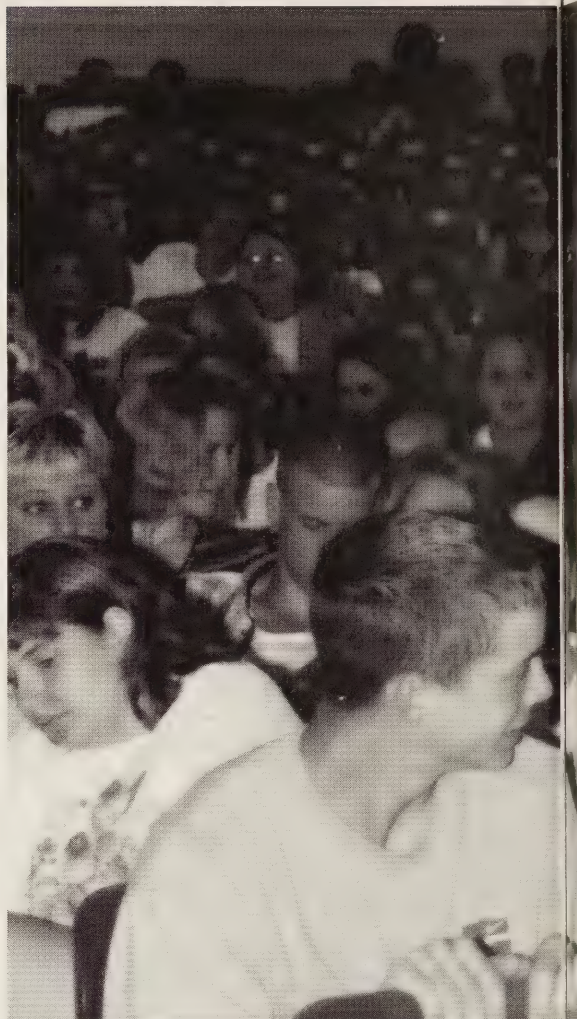
Winners Stood Apart From the Crowd on Awards Day

So there it was: an auditorium full of students, faculty, and guests, all awaiting the silent moments between names being called and the recipients walking to the stage. For two days out of the year, three hours each day, these were just a couple of the long-anticipated assemblies students looked forward to during the year. It got them out of class, but it also honored those students who were the best of the best in each category. It was definitely one of the most prestigious events of the year.



Students who won awards were grateful for a variety of reasons. Some were happy just to letter in a sport. *"Athletic Awards Day was cool because I got an award,"* admitted Sophomore William Fields who lettered in Baseball. Junior Courtney Jessee added, *"Awards Day paid off for all my hard work this year!"* These ceremonies definitely helped students and athletes alike realize that all of their dedication and effort was both acknowledged and appreciated.

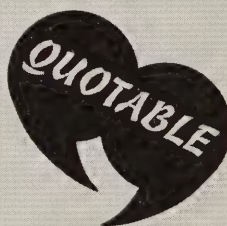
Come on
down . . .
Freshman
Carla White
makes her way
through the
crowd to go on
stage and
accept her
next award
on Academic
Awards Day.
Both the
Academic and
Athletic
Awards
Days were a
time to
recognize
accomplished
students.



Congratulations, again . . . Coach Kiser gladly hands over The DAR Good Citizen Award to Senior Jonathan Cozzolino. This award was presented to a Senior who exhibited qualities of good character, which were emphasized by dependability, service, leadership, and patriotism.



Awards Day



How did
it feel to
win an
award?



"I felt very proud to receive so many awards on Academic and Athletic Awards Days."
—Stephanie Mullins, Senior

"I was really shocked and surprised when I received my award for P.E!"

Vickie Clark,
Freshman





Repeat winner. . . Coach Kiser presents Senior Travis Jessee with the Academics and Leadership Award on Academic Awards Day. Travis also received awards such as the U.S. Marine Scholastic Excellence Award, The Air Force Math & Science Award, and The Radio Shack Tandy Scholars Outstanding Mathematics and Science Student Award, as well as many others.



The few, the proud . . . Sargeant Jones presents Senior Vickey Collins with the U.S. Marine Band Award for outstanding leadership abilities. The Marines also presented awards for athleticism, and academics and leadership.



"I worked really hard to excel in athletics this year on top of everything else."

—Ashley Addington,
Six-Sport Trophy Winner

if i Could Have Changed the Awards Days, i Would Have:



"Won at least one award," answered 22 of the 50 students surveyed.



"Been an award presenter," said a surprising 10 more.

"Had the chance to sit down for at least five seconds," bragged 1 other.



"Won every award that was handed out," responded 17 greedy students.



Group hug . . .

Juniors Danielle Holbrook, Carmen Smith, and Ashley Vanover bond together with Sophomores Laniqua Coleman and James Kring, and Senior Alesha Roberts at the First Annual Football Homecoming Bonfire. Friends could be found laughing, cheering, and celebrating this festive occasion.



Crowd together . . .

Sophomore Matthew Chafin, and Freshmen Adam Austin, Farrell Kantsos, and Derek Hicks look ominous as they casually "hold up the wall" during Hat Day. Despite their serious looks, these guys, as well as most other students, found Hat Day a refreshing change to the normal school routine.

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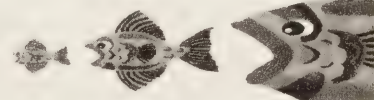
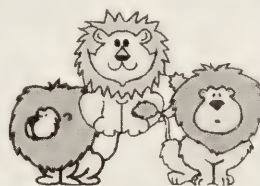
POPULAR Crowd

People Herded Together While Finding Their Own Way

They say, "Birds of a feather, flock together." Nowhere did this phrase ring true more than in the halls of school.

There were all types of groups. A drove of **eighth graders** bravely traveled through unknown territory, finding their way. A flock of **freshmen** proudly gave up their fledgling status, and began to soar their way to their ultimate destination: becoming upperclassmen. A school of **sophomores** swam upstream fighting the bigger fish, making their way slowly towards the top of the food chain. A pack of **juniors**, prowled the halls, waiting patiently for their turn to run with the big dogs. A swarm of **seniors** felt a sting of sadness as they realized it would soon be their time to leave the nest. And, a pride of **faculty and staff**, kept a watchful eye, offering knowledge and support along the way. After all, they knew it could be a jungle out there!

Groups formed, friendships bonded, and everyone joined the crowd that he or she felt suited his or her personality. Each bunch found their own interests, their own goals, and their own values. It soon became evident that everyone was different, and no matter what the crowd, each was popular in its own way.



The Mod Squad . . .
Seniors Brianne Casteel, Veronica Mays, Brandon Edwards, Tyrone House, Lori Tittle, Wesley Mullins, Josh Kite, Jessica Fields, and Stacey Hurd enjoy the bus ride to Southwest Virginia Community College for the annual campus tour. This Senior field trip, as well as others, proved to be a time in which friendships grew stronger. Groups of students shared bus seats and gossip as they traveled the winding road to Richlands. At school, most Seniors rushed frantically trying to complete English papers or cram for government tests; but, during occasions such as this they could kick back and appreciate being a member of the "Senior Crew." It was no doubt, that each and every student was unique in his or her own way, but being a Senior meant automatic popularity. This was the crowd everyone wanted to be a part of.

EIGHTH GRADERS

Eighth Graders. You know, those young saplings who moved into YOUR neck of the woods, trying to plant their roots and grow into the high school scene. You have to admit it, we've all been there. And for this bunch, it was no different. It was difficult to suddenly no longer be at the head of the food chain and being dismissed last at lunch.

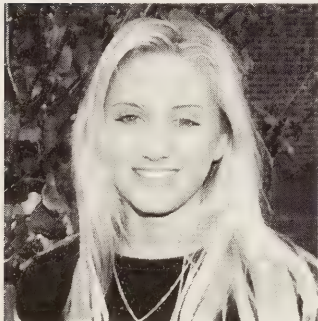
"At first, eighth grade was hard, but it got better."
— Jessica Hileman, Eighth Grader

"It makes me feel small," said Eighth Grader Ashley Jessee.

But, eventually these fresh sprouts were no longer green, and they seemed to adjust to their new environment well. Jessica Hileman said, "At first, eighth grade was hard, but it got better." As they grew into high school students, eighth graders found themselves fitting in quite nicely.

"Being Class President has taught me a lot about responsibility, and it was an honor being chosen by my classmates."

—Megan Campbell,
President



"I like being Vice President because I get to help my fellow classmates in student activities."

—Trista Hicks,
Vice President



"Being Secretary was really fun. I hope I can do it again."

—Nikki Blanton,
Secretary



Young Saplings

The Eighth Grade Class Grew Like Weeds

Don't Be Late 

I'm always late for class because:

"My locker won't open," responded 10 of the 16 8th graders surveyed.
"I fell down the steps," answered 3 others.
"I can't find my class," admitted 2 more.
"I'm having trouble getting out of the trash can," answered one more 8th grader.

—In 1991, the U.S. and its allies defeated Iraq in the Persian Gulf War.

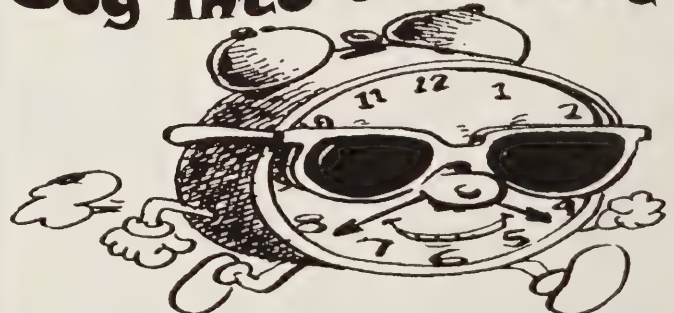
—In 1991, the New York Giants beat the Buffalo Bills 20 to 19 in Super Bowl XXV.

—In 1991, at the Academy Awards, *Silence of the Lambs* won Best Picture.

—The best song of 1991 was awarded to Natalie Cole and Nat "King" Cole for the song, *Unforgettable*.

—In 1991, the home run lead was tied at 44 by Cecil Fielder and Jose Conseco.

Jog into the Past



Check Out What was Happening When
YOU were in Kindergarten



Kristy Addington
Megan Amburgey
Marshall Baldwin
Melanie Ball
Christopher Banner
Amanda Barton
Melissa Beavers

Greg Bennett
Nicole Blanton
Danny Boyd
Sandra Brazerol
Kim Buckely
Jaclyn Byerley
Megan Campbell

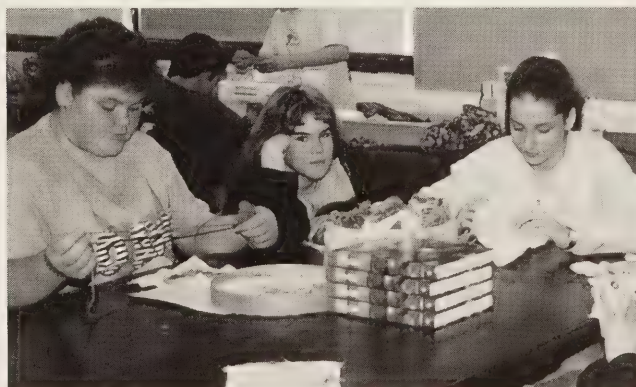
Tara Carpenter
Bridget Carter
Derick Chaffin
Megan Chafin
Summer Chafin
Chris Collins
Kemper Cook

Nora Cook
Ashley Crabtree
David Crawford
Cody Cress
Casey Dotson
Duran Dutton
Kedric Edwards



If you're happy and you know it, clap your hands . . . Krista Honaker and Stevi Willis show their spirit during the bonfire. Eighth graders soon caught on to all the cheers.

Stepping up . . . Eighth graders Tonyia Ramsey, Melissa Beavers, and Amada Barton anxiously await the arrival of their bus. Second load passengers sometimes had a while to wait before they could go home.



Little homemakers . . . Eighth graders Amanda Stevens, Jessica Hileman, and Jessica Younce are learning the art of needlework. Home economics classes learned how to run a household as well as how to make crafts.

Chow time! . . . Eighth grader Emily Puckett laughs while snacking on a bag of popcorn after school. Students usually ate something from the snack room while waiting for their ride home.

Tracy Evans
 Damara Fields
 Daniel Fields
 Josh Fields
 Pamela Gordon
 Kayla Hale
 E.W. Hall

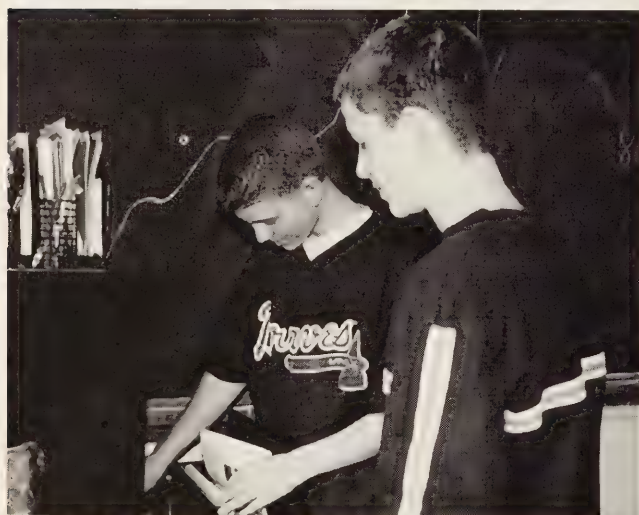
Johnathan Hall
 Shannon Hall
 Wesley Hall
 Alyssa Hearl
 Wesley Helton
 Melissa Hensley
 Trista Hicks

Jessica Hileman
 Tara Hill
 Freddie Holbrook
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 H.J. Holfield
 Amanda Holley
 Krista Honaker

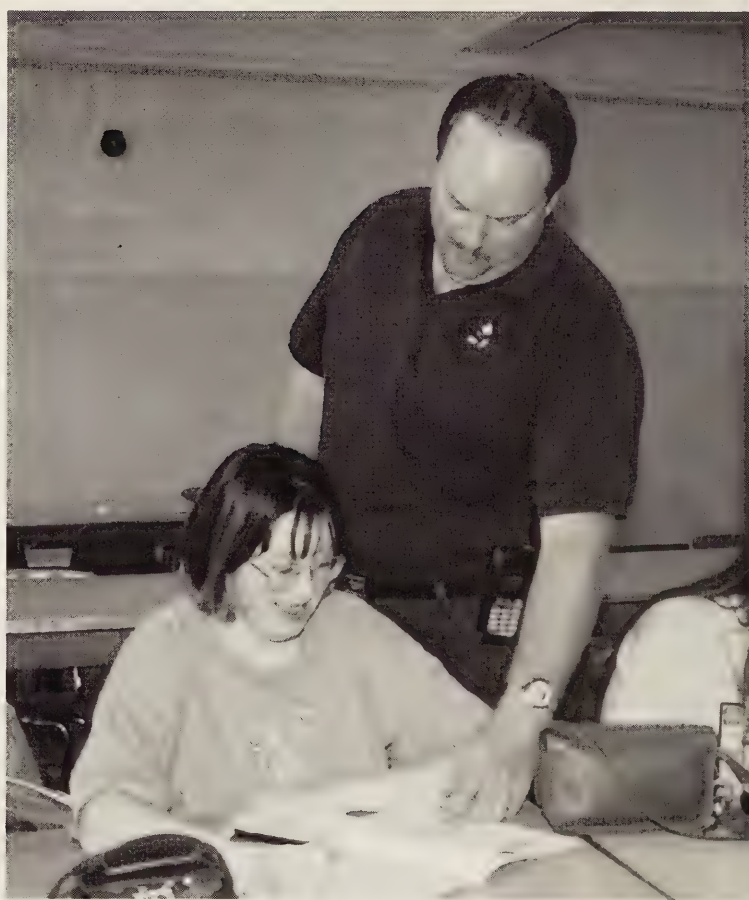
Jason Howington
 Gevon Hurd
 Bobbi Jessee
 Candace Justice
 Alicia King
 Eric Kiser
 Matthew McRenolds



Sitting this one out . . . Eighth Graders Sandra Brazerol, Kristy Addington, and visitor Ashley Spewor sit at the Homecoming Dance and try to think of a way to make things exciting. Eighth graders soon learned how to mingle at a high school dance.



Where did she put it? . . . Charlie Selfe and Wesley Hall search through Mrs. Skeens' filing cabinet for a review sheet. Eighth graders were required to make up any work they missed. They soon learned that they were not in elementary school anymore — they had to keep up with their assignments.



Learning with a smile . . . D.A.R.E. Officer Mike Hutchinson helps Eighth Grader Gevon Hurd in the old cafeteria with her workbook assignment. Eighth graders took a D.A.R.E. course during their physical education class to make sure they knew all the dangers of using drugs and alcohol. D.A.R.E. played a huge role in helping students realize how drugs could affect their lives in addition to the lives of everyone around them.

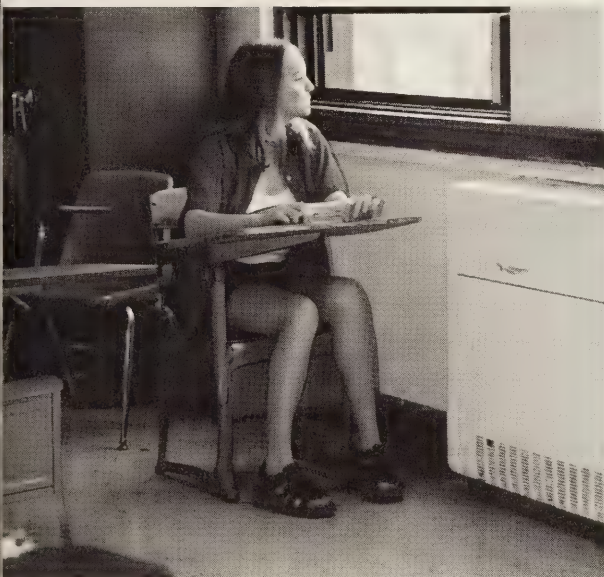


Randy Meade
Adam Moore
Jonathan Morgan
Wesley Mullins
Matthew Nickels
Eric Osborne
Asha Patrick

Rebecca Patrick
Daven Phillips
Jessica Phillips
Chante Proffitt
Emily Puckett
Tonya Ramsey
Davis Robinson

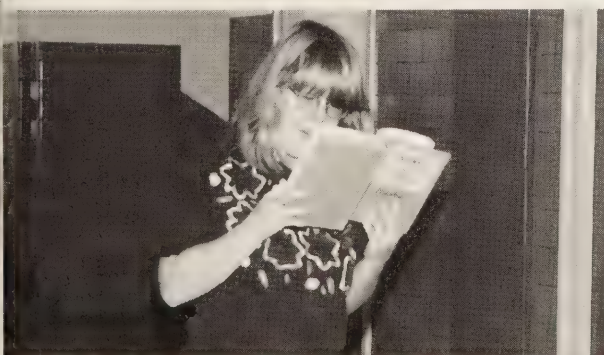
Dustin Salyer
Amber Salyers
Kellie Salyers
Jeremy Sanders
Charlie Selte
Amanda Stevens
James Street

Carol Taylor
Jacob Townes
Lauren Wallace
Jason White
Stevi Willis
Jason Woods
Jessica Younce



Daydreaming . . . Eighth Grader Pamela Gordon gazes out Mrs. Miotke's window before the bell in Science 8. Eighth graders were expected to always be attentive, but sometimes they found a few minutes to catch their breath.

Is someone looking at me? . . . Eighth Grader Megan Campbell grins as she puts her bookbag in her locker and realizes she has been spotted.



I've got to finish! . . . Eighth grader Nora Cook tries desperately to finish a chapter of *Ivanhoe* before going to English class. Even though most eighth graders dreaded reading books, they often found some really interesting and could not put them down until they had finished reading every detail.



As if being eighth graders was not hard enough, some had to deal with being grounded. Whether they were in trouble in the classroom or at home, many had to suffer some type of confinement.

As Eighth Grader Krista Honaker, pictured below far

"Being grounded stinks because I can't go out with my friends."

Derick Chaffin added, *"I hate being grounded because it takes forever to get ungrounded."*

Whether they were grounded from the phone or the library, eighth graders learned the hard way.

"I hate being grounded because it takes forever to get ungrounded!"

—Derick Chaffin,
Eighth Grader



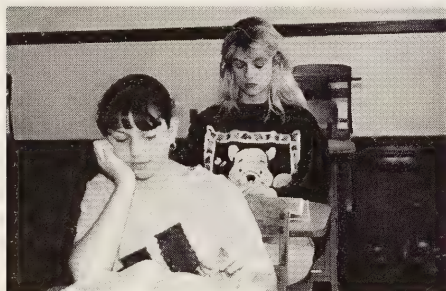
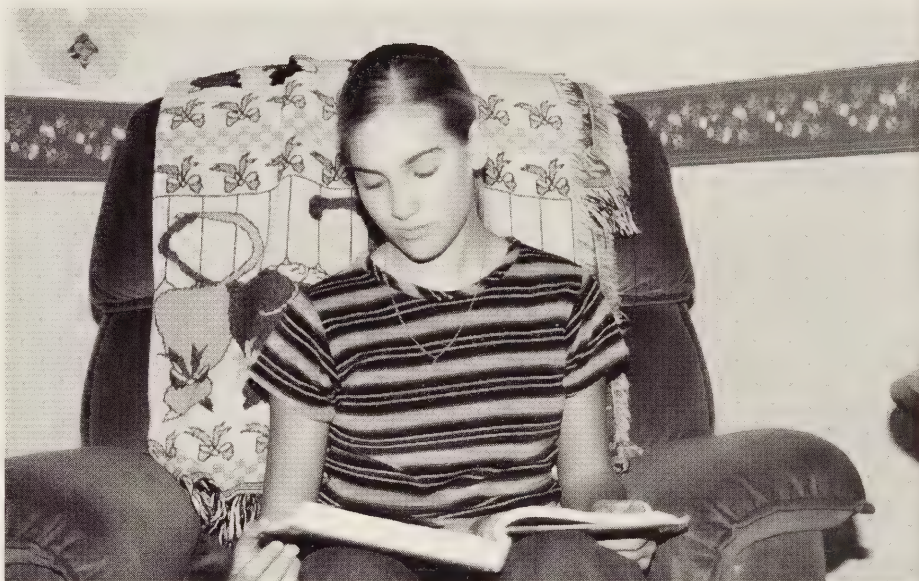
Lock Down

Eighth Graders Spoke Out About Being Grounded

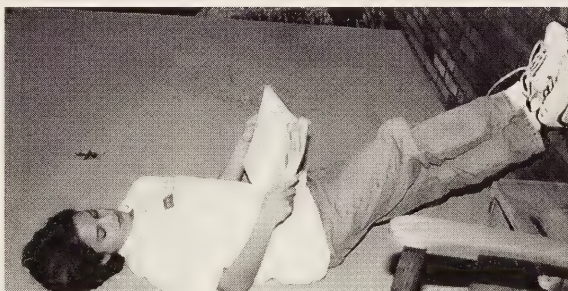
Loungin' . . . Eighth grader Emily Puckett sits back and relaxes while doing her homework. The best thing about being grounded was extra relaxation. The worst was the loss of freedom and the confinement to home.

This is interesting . . . Eighth grader Nora Cook sits quietly while she reads the newspaper in study hall.

When students were grounded in study hall, Mr. McCoy's newspapers became an excellent source of information.



Quiet time . . . Melissa Hensley and Amanda Holley read during study hall. When confined to study hall, few had any other choice but to hit the books.



Backyard studying . . . Candace Justice lies around on her porch and reads. When stuck at home, many eighth graders took advantage of the great outdoors - even if it was in their own backyard.



How lame can it get? . . . Eighth grader Krista Honaker sits in her room reading a magazine, trying to pass time.

When I am Grounded I'm forced to :



"Do different things, like stay in my room," replied 13 out of the 25 8th graders surveyed.

"Clean the house," answered 11 others.



"Wash and wax the car," sadly admitted one 8th grader.



FRESHMEN

Gain A Lot of Ground

The Freshmen Discussed the Ups and Downs of Their School Life

**The class
you were
most
likely to
find me
sleeping
in was:**



"A foreign language class," answered 5 out of 25 freshmen surveyed.

"Math," replied 4 others.

"English," answered 6 more.

"World History," answered the other 10 freshmen surveyed.

"Freshmen show a lot of school spirit at the pep rallies!"

—Traci Poole,
President



"We are no longer low-lives."

—Alishia Cox,
Vice President



"It's harder, but it's a great experience."

—Carla White,
Secretary



"Even though it was all hard work, it was worth it."
—Kayla Buckles,
Freshman

Freshmen should have had at least six credits by the end of their ninth grade year. Some were very excited when school started as they realized they had the chance to get more credits than they did in the previous year. They also discovered the many classes they had to choose from, which made filling out schedules a little intimidating.

The class also adjusted well to their freshman teachers. Crystal Porter admitted, *"Coach Poole is really not as mean as everyone said."*

Other experiences were unique to freshmen, like the homecoming raffle. The class discovered being freshmen was a learning experience, and as Kayla Buckles explained, *"Even though it was all hard work, it was worth it."*

Jog into the Past



Check Out What was Happening When
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—In 1990, the NBA Champions were the *Detroit Pistons*.

—The best picture in 1990 was *Dances With Wolves*.

—The best actress in 1990 was Kathy Bates, for her role in the motion picture, *Misery*.

—In 1990, Operation Desert Shield Forces left for Saudi Arabia to defend the country following the invasion of its neighbor Kuwait by Iraq.

—The best director of 1990 was Kevin Costner for the movie, *Dances With Wolves*.

Adam Austin
Sheena Austin
Nicole Baker
Josh Banner
Sarah Brandon
Kayla Buckles

Jarred Bush
James Castle
Amanda Chafin
Jessica Chafin
Joey Chafin
Vickie Clark

Jessica Clevinger
Angelic Counts
Alishia Cox
Elijah Dixon
Kayela Elam
Heath Fields



Sit up
straight and
say cheese.

Freshman
Courtney King
smiles for the
Olan Mills
photographer
while having
her school
picture taken in
the auditorium
on picture day.

All freshmen
may not have
enjoyed having
their picture
taken, but it
was a quick
and painless
way to get in
the yearbook.
On picture day
everyone tried
to look his or
her best to
ensure a quality
photo. After
all, people
would be
looking at it
years to come.

Students
anticipated the
arrival of
pictures because
it was fun to
laugh at
themselves and
their friends.



**My school
picture looks:**



Stupid.

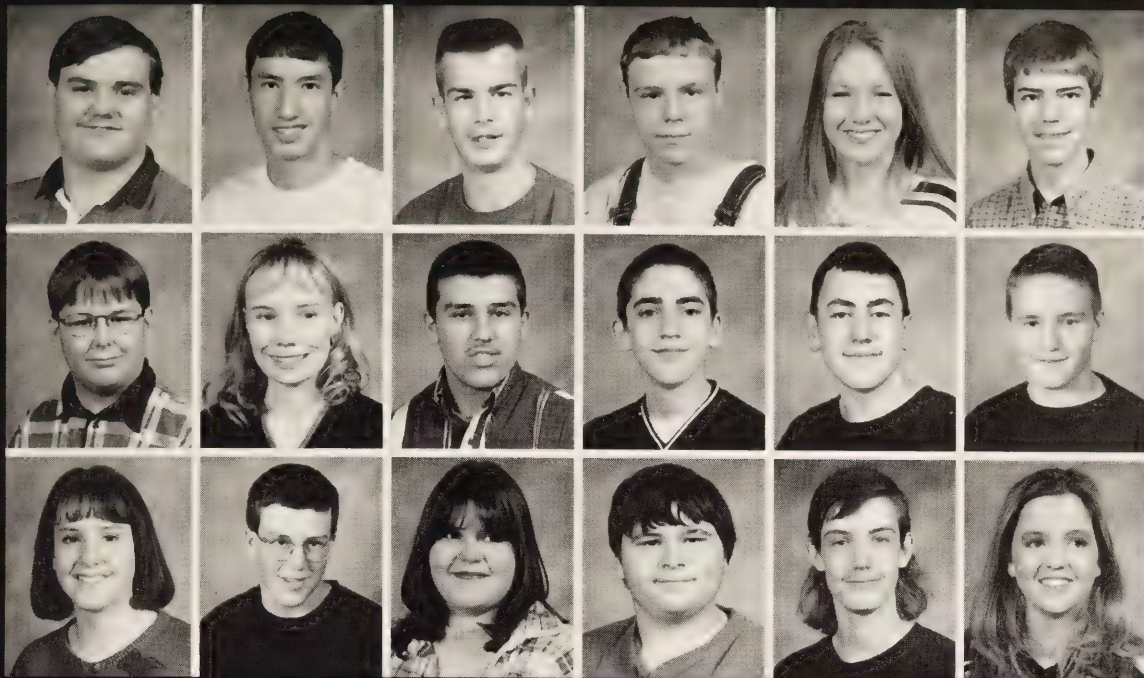


Goofy.



Good.

Other _____



James Fields
Ricky Gibson
Adam Gray
Gary Hale
Shannon Hale
Michael Hale

Jason Helbert
Charm Herndon
Derek Hicks
David Hileman
Dustin Holbrook
Jacob Holbrook

Amy Jessee
Daniel Johnson
Shannon Johnson
Farrell Kantsos
Nathanael Keith
Courtney King



Everyday pizza and french fries

Freshmen Grady Kring and Mikey Hale enjoy their daily meal of pizza and french fries. Most freshmen valued their time at the lunch table as a way to break loose from quiet classrooms and hard desks.



It's been a long day... Freshmen Dustin Holbrook and Daniel Johnson sit in the library during their study hall. Freshmen soon learned that study hall was not a free period and lounging in the library was a rare privilege.

My Favorite Cafeteria Food Was:



Pizza.



French Fries.



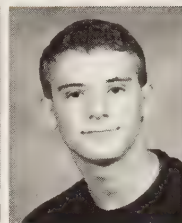
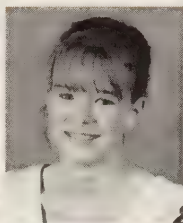
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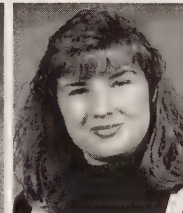
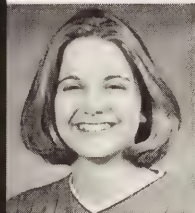
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Freshmen

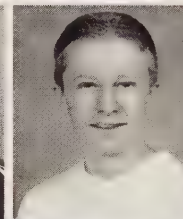
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Dale Nickles
Russell Osborne
Whitney Phillips



Traci Poole
Crystal Porter
Jennifer Puckett
Rhonda Robinson
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Audrea Sanders



Anna Stacy
Randall Statzer
Amanda Trail
Rebecca Turner
Jared Ward
Carla White



Jeana Willis



When in Rome . . . Freshman Josh Banner displays his History Day project in the old cafeteria titled "The Roman Empire." At first, freshmen were not very enthused about having to do a history project, but after they got started, most of them really had a lot of fun.



You're late! . . . Freshman Russell Osborne is bringing up the rear on his way to the cafeteria. Freshmen quickly found out that their old eighth grade excuse of "I got lost," would not keep them out of trouble any more.



Evil? . . . These freshmen seem to have lost the beginning of their message during the Homecoming Pep Rally in the old gym. But, they deserved an A for effort anyway. The freshman class was one of the most enthusiastic classes in the school. They used their creativity to show pure spirit and pride.



T.V.: The Great Indoors

Freshmen Were
Television Animals

What do *South Park*, *The Real World*, and *Dawson's Creek* have in common? These popular t.v. shows provided hours of entertainment for freshmen after school. Television provided a relaxing break from work, and many tuned into the same stations.

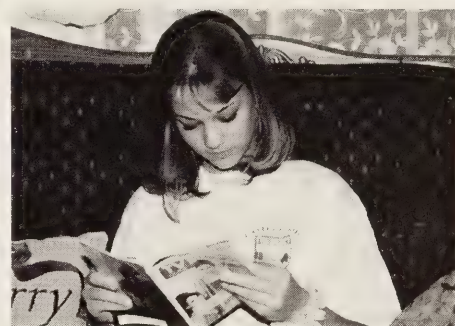
When asked about their favorite television shows, Freshman Rebecca Brandon said, "MTV is awesome because it shows cool videos!" and Freshman Whitney Phillips agreed by saying, "MTV Jams Countdown is great because Tyrese is fine!"

"MTV is awesome because it shows cool videos!"
—Rebecca Brandon,
Freshman



Play my video . . . Freshman Jacob Holbrook looks relaxed at his house as he watches to see if MTV video jockey, Carson Daly, will play his favorite video on Total Request Live. Most freshmen watched MTV after school.

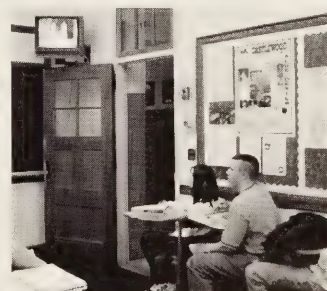
What's on T.V.? . . . Freshman Jessica Clevinger sits on her couch and looks at *T.V. Guide* to see if there is anything good coming on television. *T.V. Guides* were used by almost everyone who was too busy to channel surf.



I wanna be a star . . . Freshman Amy Jessee dreams about James Van der Beek from *Dawson's Creek*, while her pet dreams of being the next Taco Bell dog.



In a trance . . . Freshman Josh Reedy seems to be hypnotized while watching t.v. in the library. Watching t.v. in the library was a rare privilege reserved for special occasions.



5th period regular . . . Freshmen Kayla Buckles and Heath Fields check out current events on Channel One.

**If I Were
Trapped in an
Elevator with
a T.V. Star, I
Would Want it
to be:**



"Jennifer Love Hewitt," replied 1 out of 16 freshmen surveyed.



"Scott Wolfe," answered 2 others.



"Carson Daly," responded 4 more freshmen.



"Pamela Anderson," answered the remaining 9 students.

SOPHOMORE

What's one good thing about being a sophomore? *"It is really exciting because I'm higher on the food chain!"* explained Chris Light. Amy Chaffin simply said, *"It's cool!"* and Michael Cozzolino replied, *"Being in the middle class is fun because I only have two more years left."*

"It's really exciting being a sophomore because I'm higher on the food chain!"
—Chris Light, Sophomore

Obviously, there were lots of good things to be said about being a sophomore. Although they weren't exactly upperclassmen yet, they weren't really considered underclassmen either. The sophomore class was just stuck somewhere in the middle of the two.

Middle Ages

Sophomores Spoke Out About Being Half-Way There

"Being President is really fun because it's a 'best goodin'."

—Jessica Cain,
President

"Being Vice President is a privilege because it gives me a chance to represent my class."

—Louise Gibson,
Vice President

"Being Secretary is a great honor, and I really enjoyed it."

—Danielle Sargent,
Secretary

If my parents gave me a choice, instead of buying a class ring I would:

"Throw a party," responded 14 of the 24 sophomores surveyed.
"Go shopping," replied 2 others.
"Nothing. I want a class ring," answered 8 more.



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Sophomore Introduction

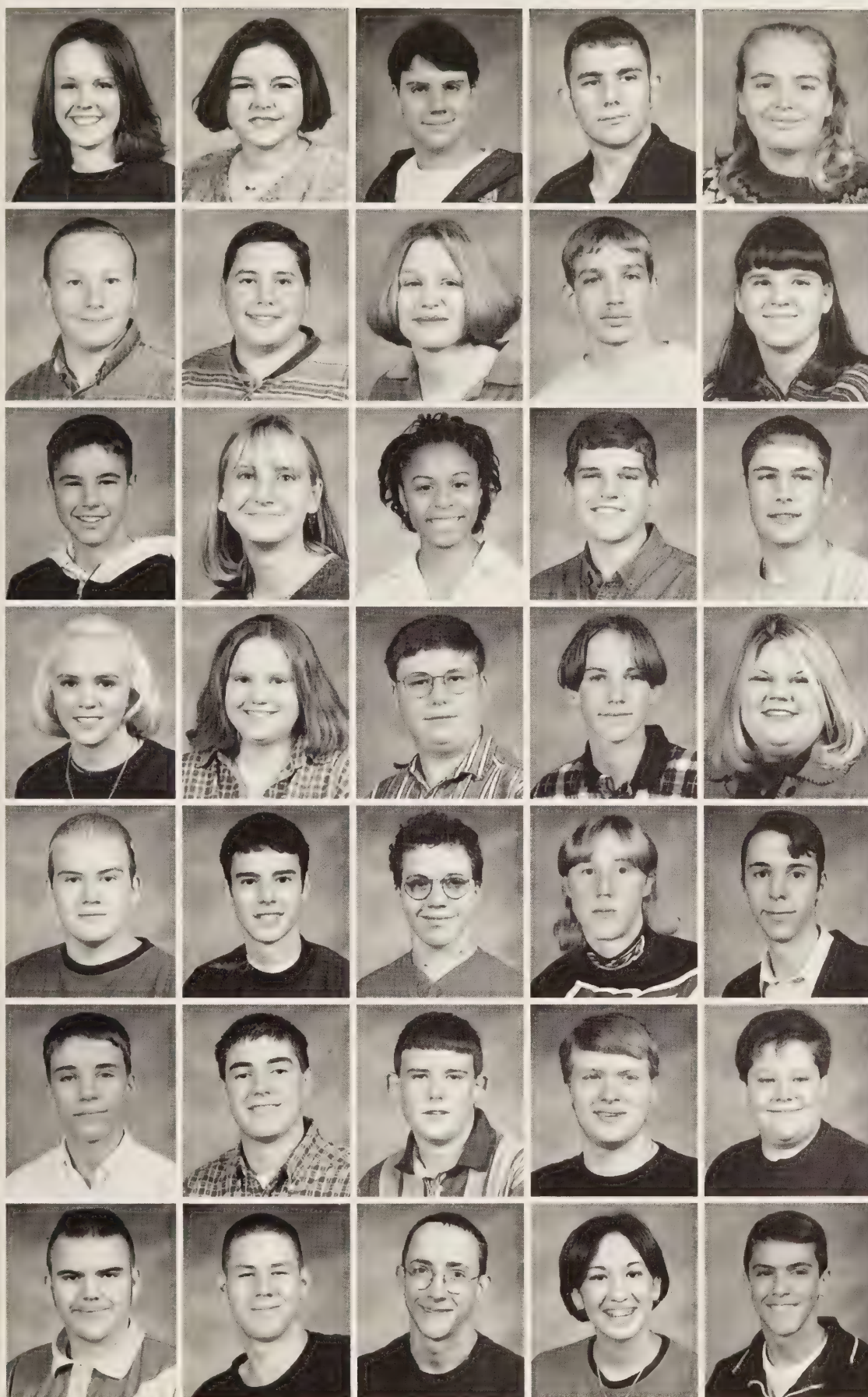


— In 1989, September 16-22, Hurricane Hugo tore through the Southeast killing 504 people.

—The top movie of the year in 1989 was *Driving Miss Daisy*.

— On March 24, 1989, *The Exxon Valdez* spilled 10,080,000 gallons of oil into Prince William Sound.

— In 1989, Bette Midler won the Record of the Year Grammy for "Wind Beneath My Wings."



Jessica Amburgey
Kayla Austin
Matt Ball
Jessee Barnette
Heidi Bartee

Anthony Beavers
Travis Booker
Melissa Boyd
Tim Boyd
Cindy Bradley

Matt Brooks
Asten Buckles
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Jason Castle

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Matthew Chafin
Jonathan Clark
Melissa Collins

Daniel Compton
Michael Cozzolino
Adam Culbertson
Jamie Dean
Daniel Dunford

David Dunford
Mark Dye
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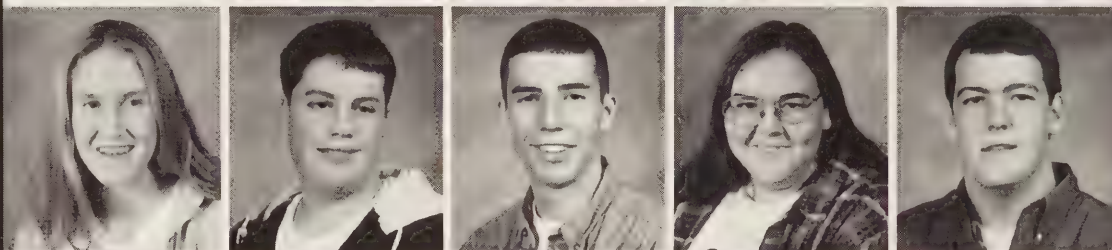
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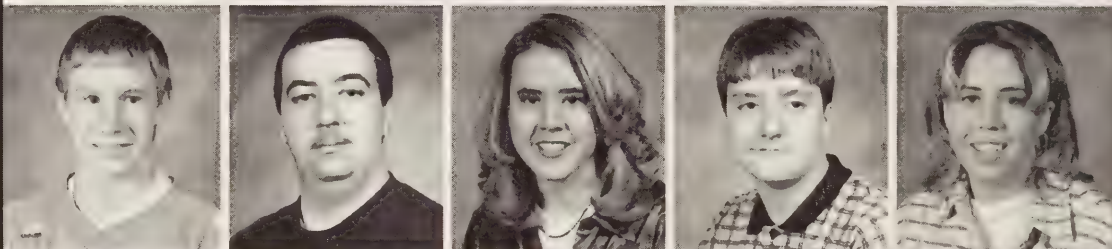
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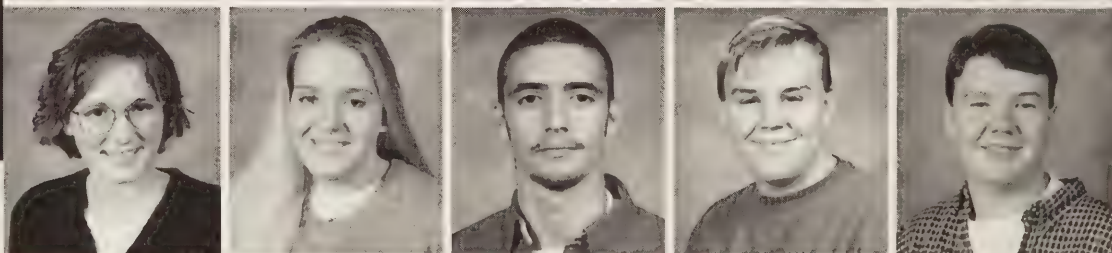
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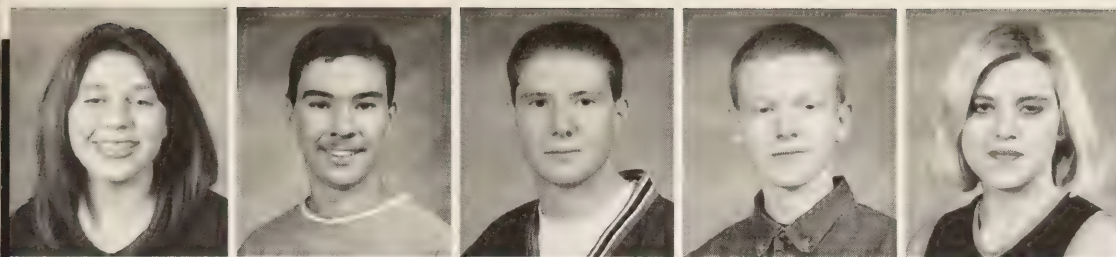
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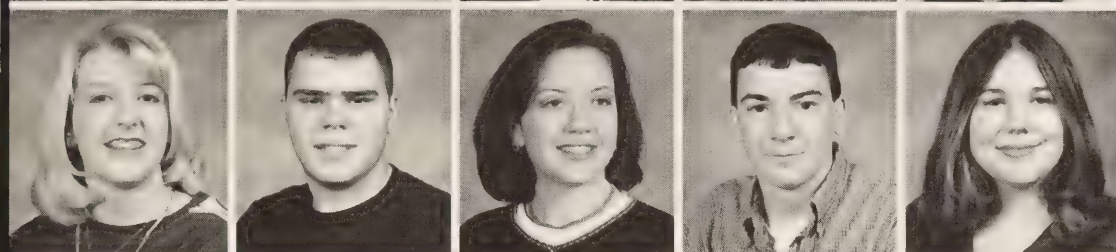
The thing I will miss most in P.E. is . . .

"The extra time to hang out with my friends."

—Jennifer White



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Amy Puckett
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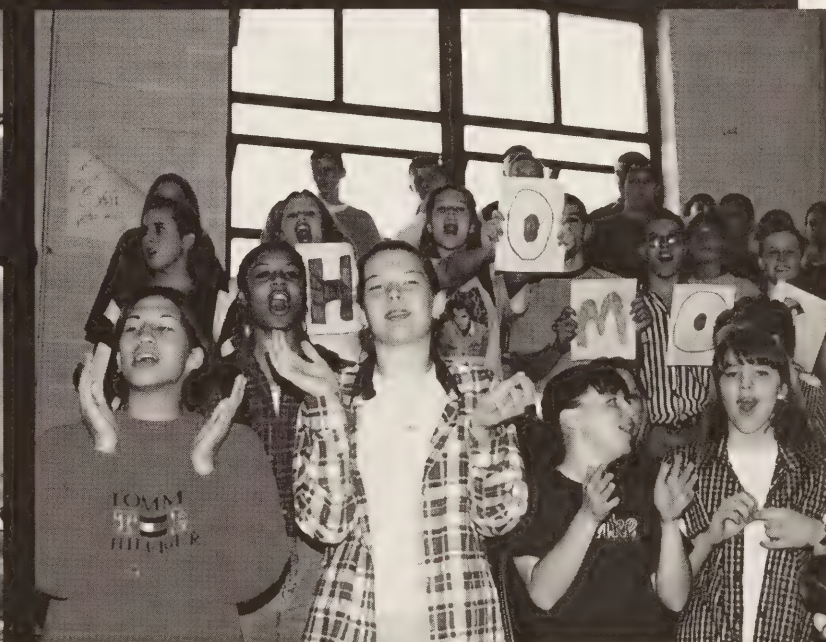
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Misty Turner
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Eric Vinson
Heather White
Jennifer White



Bus stop . . . Sophomore Cody Ervin waits outside after school for his bus to arrive. Students often went outside, when the weather was nice, to wait for their rides to pick them up after a long day of classes inside.



Let's get fired up! . . . Louise Gibson, Jessica Cain, Traci Long, Cindy Bradley, and Jennifer White want to prove to everyone that their class has the most spirit during the pep rally by chanting a cheer. Sophomores showed their football team that they supported them 100% by participating in the pep rallies held for them throughout the season.

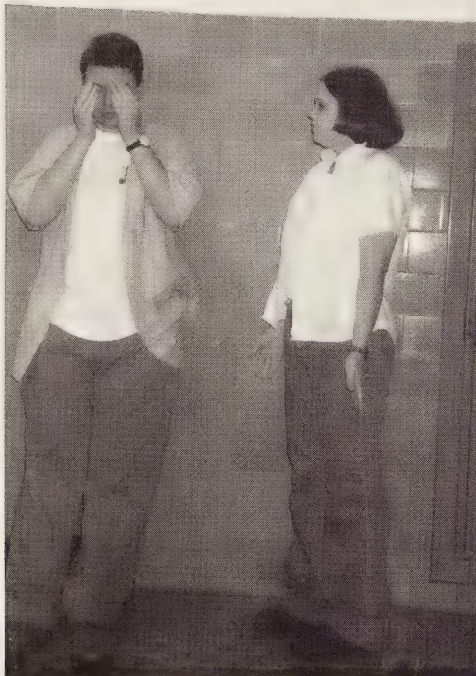
Walking the halls was the most popular thing to do for any sophomore. They woke up, got dressed, and went to school. They next thirty minutes was the most freedom they had for the next six hours. The only time they got a break was changing classes.

"If you're going to write a bogus pass, cover your tracks!"
—Jes Stacy, Sophomore

Hall Monitors were on the lookout, and as sophomore Jessica McReynolds put it, "Walking the halls was great until I got caught by Mr. Jones!" This made sophomores be careful. Sophomore Jes Stacy said, "If you're going to write a bogus pass, cover your tracks!"

That's funny . . . Sophomores Ashley Banner and Nancy Dean laugh in the hallways after school. While waiting for their buses to arrive, sophomores often passed the time by walking the halls.

Are you listening to me? . . . Sophomore Cole Osborne seems to be having a stressful day already as Sophomore Amanda Chafin tries to talk to him. Sophomores often hung out in the hall to prepare for a long day.



Take a Hike

Sophomores Looked Forward To Walking the Halls



The best place to hang out in the hall was:

"Outside the History Department," replied three out of the twenty-seven sophomores surveyed.



"Outside the Science Department," said seven other sophomores.



Eight more agreed it was, "Outside the Math Department."



"Outside the English Department," responded the nine other sophomores.



2000RS

Branching Out

Juniors Were On Their Way To the Top

The most exciting thing about the prom was:



"My date," answered 13 out of 30 juniors surveyed.

"Finally getting to go," said 10 other juniors.

"Setting it up," answered 4 more.

"Buying a dress or tux," responded the remaining 3 juniors.

"I enjoy being a Junior Class Officer because we got to work on the prom — fundraisers, fundraisers, fundraisers!!!"

—Ashley Addington, President



"Being a class officer has taught me a lot of discipline and responsibility by working on prom and other fundraisers."

—Courtney Jessee, Vice President



"Being a Class Officer has taught me a lot of responsibility and brought me closer to my classmates."

—Amy Jones, Secretary



The juniors started out with high hopes for an awesome year. Of course, moving up meant more responsibility. Students were busy making plans for their entire careers.

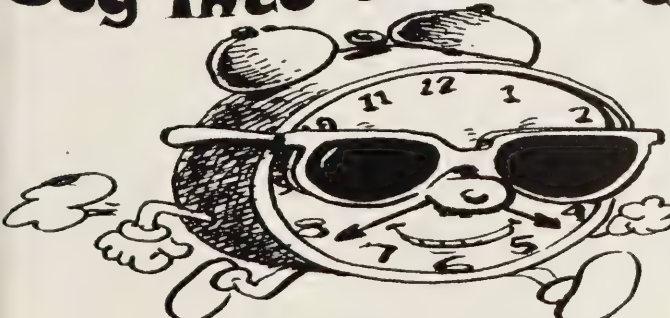
Along with more responsibilities came more privileges.

Juniors planned the entire prom — from the theme to the decorations.

Needless to say, since they were in charge, juniors were very excited about this momentous event. *"I can't wait to work on the prom!"* said David Crabtree. Perhaps there was one thing more important to juniors than prom. As Danielle Holbrook added, *"Being a junior means there's only one year left!"*

"Being a junior means there's only one year left!"
—Danielle Holbrook, Junior

Jog into the Past



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—The largest firework ever produced was Universe I, Part II, which was used in the Lake Toya Festival, in Hokkaido, Japan on July 15, 1988. The 1,543 pound shell was 54.7 inches in diameter and burst to a diameter of 3,937 feet.

—George Bush, former Vice President of the United States, was elected as our 41st U.S. President on November 8, 1988. Bush defeated the Democratic nominee, Governor Michael Dukakis.

—Sprinter Florence Griffith Joyner, won three gold medals at the 1988 Olympics.

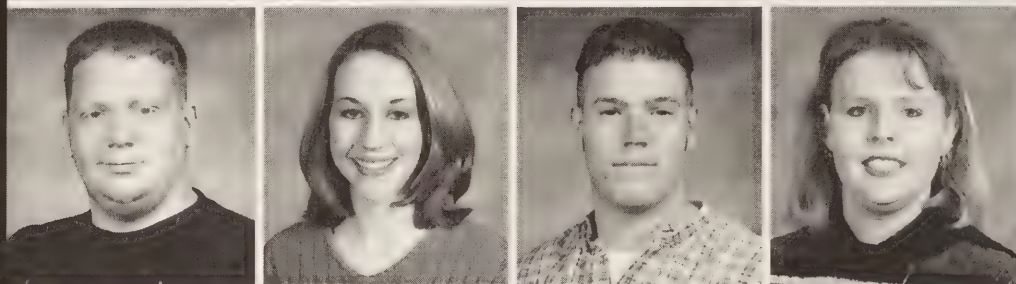
—Bill Elliot won the NASCAR Racing Winston Cup Championship in 1988.

—In 1988, Notre Dame won the National College Football Championship.

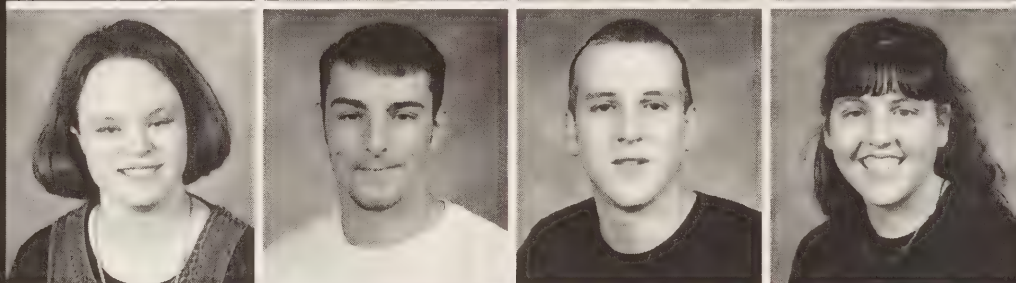
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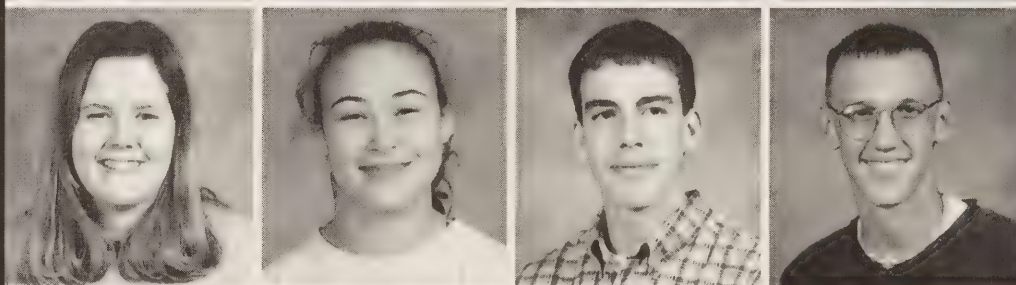
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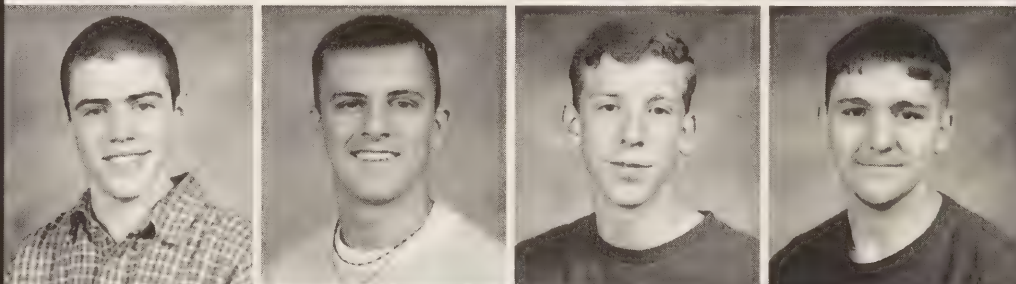
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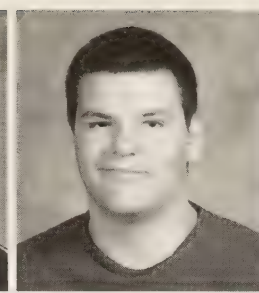
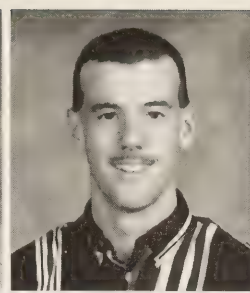
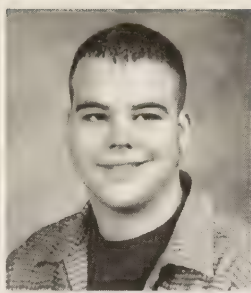
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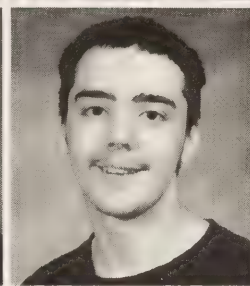
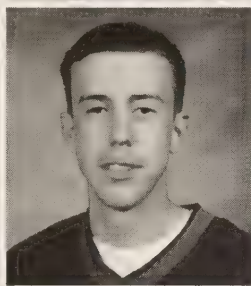
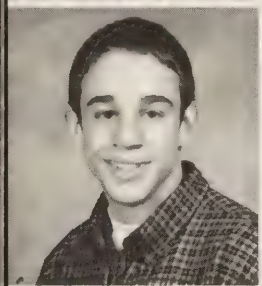
**What was the best thing
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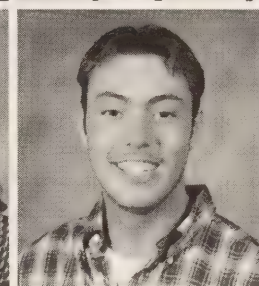
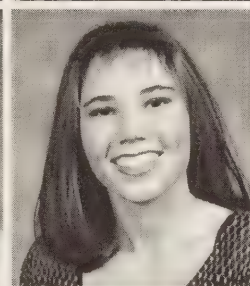
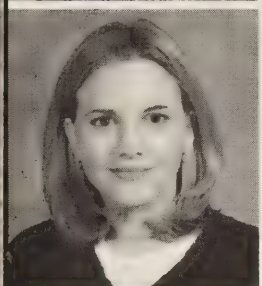
*"I'm one year closer to
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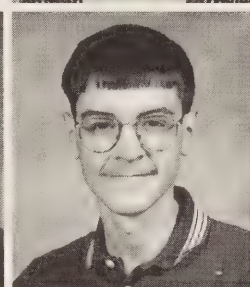
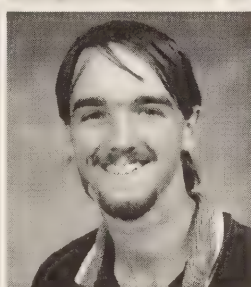
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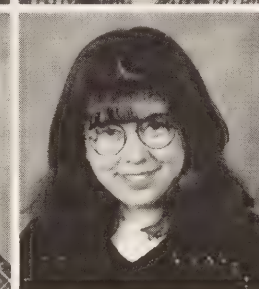
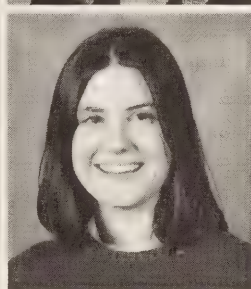
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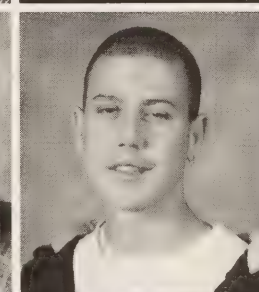
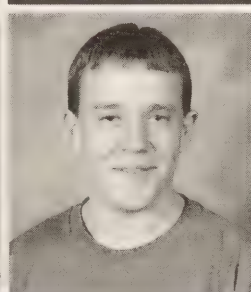
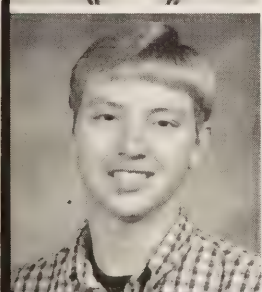
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Crystal Keith



Wally Kennedy
Shane Kenyon
Katherine Kiser
Tyrone Kiser

 The Color of My/My Date's Prom Dress Was: _____.

Shane Lambert
Ashley Mays
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Drew Meade



Brandon Miller
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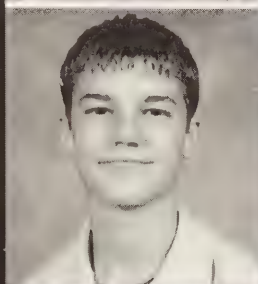
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Justin Worley



Study, study, study . . . Juniors Melinda Breeding and Amanda Johnson study quietly during fourth period study hall in Mrs. Talbert's room. Study hall gave juniors time to do some of their dreaded homework at school to prevent a pile-up of work at home.

The Nature of Love



Juniors Spoke Out About Love and Courtship

"Does my hair look alright?" "May I use the car?" "Mom, can I have some money?" These were common questions juniors asked quite often. If they were seeing a movie or going to the mall, junior couples enjoyed their time with each other. They also had a blast while at school.

"Dating is fun, but there's not much to do around here," said Junior Michael Sutherland.

"Dating was hard for me because I tried to keep my grades up, and I was also involved in sports and clubs."
—Shonna Glover,
Junior

"Dating was hard for me because I tried to keep my grades up, and I was also involved in sports and clubs," said Junior Shonna Glover. Juniors still made memories to last a lifetime.



Don't look down . . . Juniors Stephanie Jessee and Wally Kennedy enjoy the Ferris Wheel together. Many couples took advantage of a half of a day out of school to check out the carnival and see the sights.

Help me up . . . Senior Brandon Willis helps Junior Melinda Breeding into his truck in the student parking lot. Although students were in a hurry to leave school, they never forgot their manners.



Hand in hand . . . Junior Tyrone Kiser and Senior Amanda Vicars stroll down the hall together.



Don't mess up . . . Junior Heather Salyers applies her mascara while getting ready for a date at home. Every junior knew it took time, and a steady hand, to prepare for that perfect date.



Show me love . . . Senior Brianne Casteel hugs Junior Heath Francis at their lockers. Having a loved one at school made it easier to make it through the day.

Who do you think should pay for dates?



1 out of 25 students surveyed replied, "The girl."	3 replied, "Both. You should split the bill."	3 answered, "Either. You should take turns."	18 responded, "The guy."
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What food is worse than death to eat on a date?



3 out of 25 responded, "Spaghetti."	4 replied, "Mexican food."	5 answered "Onions."	8 said, "Anything with garlic."	5 were undecided.
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1999 Seniors

Mighty Oaks

Seniors Were On the Path to the Future

They fought the urge. They resisted the temptation. At the onslaught of their final year, Seniors attempted everything in their power to avoid that dreaded condition called "Senioritis."

After four long years of waiting, Senior privileges arrived for those who earned the right to rule the school.

More serious matters occurred when Seniors had to decide what paths they wanted to take in the future. Senior Veronica Mays had this to say about her college

career: "I am not sure where I will go to school yet, but I will go where my heart leads me."

Whether it was the fun "extras" or the life decisions associated with it, being a Senior was a unique experience.

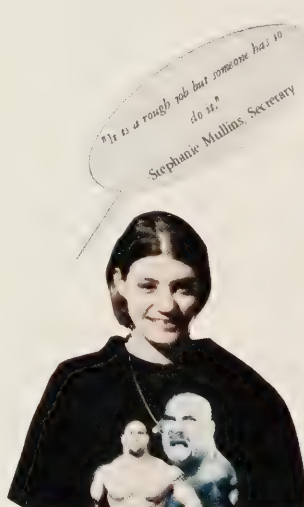
"I am not sure where I will go to school yet, but I will go where my heart leads me."
—Veronica Mays



"It was hard to put up with Coach Pale."
Amber Phillips, President



"I enjoyed working with my classmates."
Braanne Casteel, Vice President



"It is a rough job but someone has to do it."
Stephanie Mullins, Secretary

What is your favorite class as a Senior?



12% replied, "Government."



24% said, "Foods."



16% answered, "Choir."

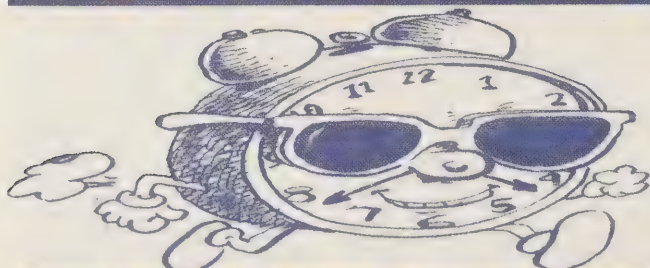


4% replied, "English."



44% said, "Other Classes."

Jog Into the Past



Check Out What was Happening When YOU were in Kindergarten

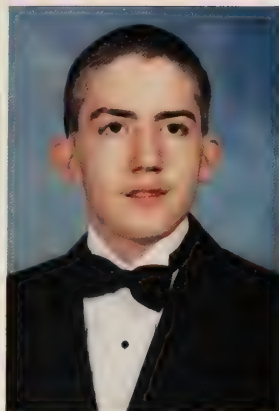
— The award for Best Selling Fiction went to horror writer Stephen King for his book *The Tommyknockers*.

— *Time Flies*, by comedian Bill Cosby, received the honor of Best Selling Non-Fiction.

— The Los Angeles Lakers were the sports champions of the NBA.

— Pop Singer Cher won the Academy Award for Best Actress for her performance in the movie *Moonstruck*.

— *The Last Emperor*, directed by Bernardo Bertolucci and starring Peter O'Toole, received nine Academy Awards, including Best Picture and Best Director.



Jonathan Daniel Amos

Tonya Nicole Amos

Chadwick Ray Austin

Richard Daniel Beavers



Jessica Lynn Bradley

Anthony Wayne Broyles

Naomah Rain Bush

Shanna Brianne Casteel

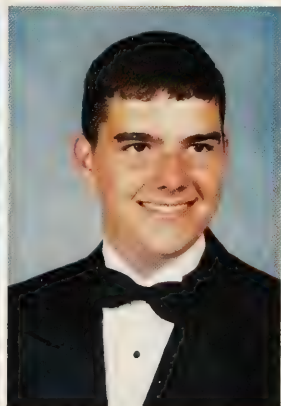


Tommy Lee Chafin

Jared Matthew Coffey

Justin Sloan Collins

Margo Suzanne Collins



Mickey Ray Collins

Vicky Rena Collins

Roy Eugene Couch, Jr.

*Jonathan David
Cozzolino*

Leaving Their Mark . . .

**Some Seniors Reflect on Their Favorite Memories
of Their High School Days**

*"The Saturday the Ecology Club went to Chattanooga was a memorable
day."—Stacey Hurd*

*"I will never forget the day we won the District Drama Competition."
—Veronica Mays*



Party Like It's 1999!

The Senior Class Threw THE Party of the Century - (A Short Story)

Did you hear about the greatest extravaganza of all time? Bigger than anything held at Johnny Depp's Viper Room in New York? Better than the Cannes Film Festival? Louder than a Lollapalooza concert? This get-together was held in a discreet part of Southwest Virginia.

MY WHAT?!!!!

Yep. That's right. It all happened in a remote, undisclosed location with lots of space, music, food, people (even famous ones), and an Olympic size swimming pool.

So . . . what do you do with all this atmosphere? (Plus, it also just happens to be a huge graduation blow-out.) You . . .

PARTY!!! PARTY!!! PARTY!!!!

It all started when, **Wendy DOLLAHYDE**, **MISSY COX**, **ALESIA ROBERTS**, **Stacey Hurd**, & **Katy DICKENSON**, who just happened to have huge entertainment connections, used their booking skills to create the most awesome and diverse concert around. Of course, a few of the Seniors were very musically inclined, such as **DATTELL TAYLOR**, **Mickey COLLINS**, **Margo COLLINS**, **JESSICA A. WICKS**, & **VICKY SMITH**. This group was the opening act — after all, it was **their** party!

Rebecca MILGRIM, **Tonya AMOS**, **AMANDA ROBINSON**, **CHARLIE OSBORNE**, **Taneen JESSEE**, & **TOMMY CHAFIN** made sure the food was catered. **AMANDA SADDLER** chipped in and provided the place to hold the party. **DANIEL MEADE** & **CHAD AUSTIN** arranged for a stage to be built for the entertainment. The Senior sponsors, **Coach RANDY POOLE**, **Mrs. DOLLY WALLACE**, **Mr. DUDLEY MCCOY**, **Coach MIKE ROBERSON**, **Mrs. SHERRY ALLEN**, **Mr. MIKE KNYBEL**, & **Ms. LINDA CASSELL** served as chaperones. Everything seemed **LIKE** it was all set! **CRYSTAL SMITH**, **BILLY HONAKER**, **VERONICA MAYS**, & **ANTHONY BROYLES** were the first to arrive. About 5 minutes later, the place was packed! Word had gotten around quickly, considering that it had only taken a couple of days to prepare! It seemed that someone, namely **ROY COUCH**, had logged on to the Internet and announced the party as the **HUGEST** event to hit the country. This tempted many actors, actresses, models, and other famous people to attend. They had to keep up their appearances, and anybody who was anybody was there. Rumor has it, anyway . . .

Adam Sargent, **Brianne Casteel**, & **JOSH KITE** could be found laughing and talking around the buffet table. **JUSTIN WALLACE**, **Randi HAMILTON**, **NaOMAH BUSH**, **AMANDA VICARS**, **JONATHAN COZZOLINO**, **TRAVIS JESSEE**, **STEPHANIE MULLINS**, **Tracy Meade**, **JOSH TRENT**, & **KEVIN SALYERS** chose to hang out at the pool. No one would swim at first, but all of that changed when **Wesley MULLINS** climbed up to the diving board and screamed,

"COME ON PEOPLE! IT'S TOO HOT TO JUST SIT AROUND! JUMP IN!!!"

He then preceded to execute a very splashy cannonball.

Jared COFFEY & **BRANDON WILLIS**, who found the spectacle hilarious, followed with a little less "show-offish" enthusiasm. Approximately 100 feet from the pool, **Lori TITTLE**, **JESSICA FIELDS**, **BRANDON EDWARDS**, **BILLY WRIGHT**, **JIMMY HOBBS**, **Cheri WAGNER**, **SHANNON PHILLIPS**, **MARK SMITH**, **JUSTIN COLLINS**, & **David PUCKETT** huddled into a small group and whispered excitedly to one another.

Wonder What that Was all about? . . .

Things were really getting into full swing on stage by that time. Musical performers from Backstreet Boys and Everclear to Semisonic and George Strait were supplying an excellent outdoor music fest. **VICKY COLLINS**, **JESSICA BRADLEY**, **AMANDA MAYS**, **JESSICA L. WICKS**, **ERIC HOLBROOK**, **DUANE HOLMES**, **DANIEL BEAVERS**, **Kenneth HILMAN**, & **KIM PARKS** were mingled in the crowd below the stage, dancing to the live music and having a great time. **JOSH HALL** & **CHRIS SNIPES** jumped onto the stage while Hole was playing, and preceded to get into a loud argument about who was going to stage-dive first. All of a sudden, **TYRONE HOUSE** went onstage and pushed BOTH of them into the crowd.

The party was beginning to slow down to a dull roar when **RENEE KILBOURNE**, **JESSICA NEECE**, **JOEY MOONEY**, & **MICHAEL DUNFORD** went to see what was going on poolside. The group that had been having some sort of secret discussion earlier, recruited these 4 as "messengers" of their "big plan." The messengers quickly passed the word. By this time, the suddenly obvious excitement among the Seniors began to make the chaperones nervous . . .

At last, every member of the graduation class of 1999 was well aware of the big finale of the event. **NATASHA FIELDS**, **AMBER PHILLIPS**, **FLEISHA SHORTDRIDGE**, **AMANDA GRIZZLE**, **Matt JACOBS**, & **JONATHAN AMOS** formed a special "committee" to carry out the special Senior duty. They lined up the Senior sponsors, counted to 3, & threw them all into the pool. "Now what did you have to go and do a thing like that?," complained Coach Poole. They quickly responded, "COME ON, you can't just let a minute like this go by! PARTY LIKE IT'S 1999!"



Most Likely To Succeed

Amanda Saddler and Jonathan Cazzoline

Amanda was no stranger to success. She was cheerleading captain and editor-in-chief of the yearbook, among other honors. However, Amanda was a little modest about being voted Most Likely to Succeed, as she replied, "It's nice to know my class has so much faith in me." Jonathan, on the other hand, who was SCA President, took his super status in stride and simply proclaimed, "It's great."



Most School Spirited

Jared Coffey and Rebecca Wilgins

Jared, who never missed an opportunity to help out the cheerleaders during a pep rally, said, "I was proud and honored that the whole Senior Class would vote me for this award." Rebecca, acting shy about her prestige, replied, "I'm not really school spirited — my favorite colors are just blue and white." Yeah, right. We know who was voted Homecoming Spirit Queen as well.

Patricia Katherine Dickenson

Wendy March Dollarhyde



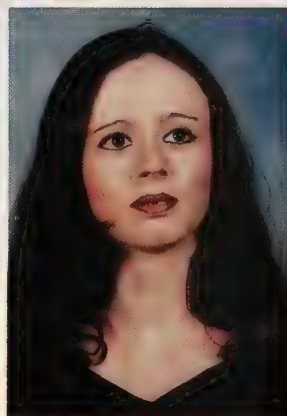
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Natasha Hope Fields



Jessica Ann Hicks

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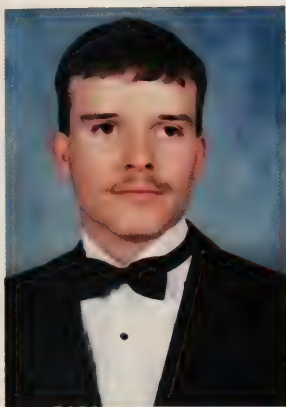
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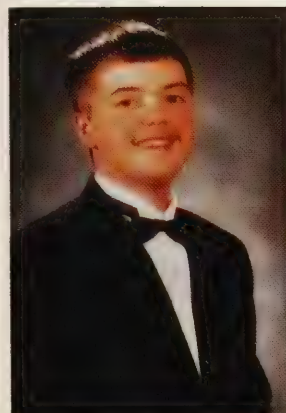
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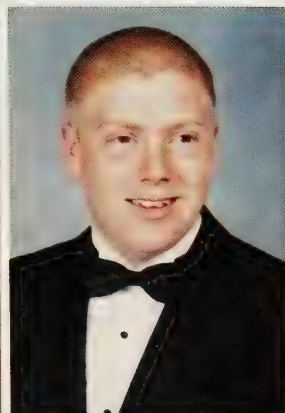
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Randi Faye Hamilton



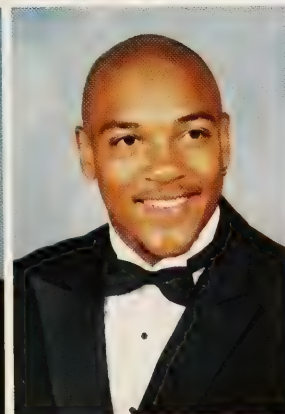
Kenneth Walter Lee Hileman



Jimmy Wayne Hobbs



William Albert Honaker, III



Tyrone Nathaniel House

Most Likely To Succeed "George Foreman, because he's got big muscles!" exclaimed Daniel Beavers.

Most School Spirited "Stone Cold, because he stirs up a lot of enthusiasm!" said Renee Kilbourne.

Best All Around "John Lennon, all you need is love!" stated Jessica Fields.

Wittiest "Adam Sandler, because he is funny!" replied Amanda Grizzle.



Best All Around

Mickey Collins and Alesha Roberts

Mickey, former Forensics State Champion and Male Lead in the Musical, kidded around about his honors and the chance to share them with twin, Vicky, by saying, "I wanted Most Talented, but that I do!"

Alesha decided that she earned her dues with her personality and stated, "Even in serious situations, I know how to keep my cool."



Wittiest

Wendy Dollenhyde and Chris Snipes

Wendy, always the comedienne, replied "I don't even know what witty means, but it's great!" when asked about her aspirative win. Chris, who never minded being thought of as a class clown, was honored by his recognition and replied, "I'm glad that everyone will remember me for making them laugh."



Standing Our Ground

Senior Privileges Were Worth The Wait

The Senior Class of 1999 took control. Since the eighth grade, this class looked forward to the privileges offered to Seniors, such as reserved space in the student parking lot, going to the courtyard during lunch, field trips to various colleges, and other freedoms. Senior Amanda Mays had this to say about the topic: "It's

about time for us to get Senior privileges because we've worked hard for them for 12 long years!" Of course, there

were also those who felt they were not getting all of the advantages they deserved. For example, Senior David Puckett exclaimed, "We need MORE Senior privileges!" For the most part, however, many of the Seniors

were satisfied with the freedoms that they had.

Almost everyone in the Senior Class drove. They liked the idea that no matter how late they arrived at school, they would always have a closer parking space. During the warm days, the Seniors enjoyed going outside to the Senior picnic area after lunch to relax and socialize in the fresh air.

There were also many other small advantages for the Senior Class.

For instance, the Seniors were the only class to get their section of the yearbook in color. There was also one last privilege: the Seniors GRADUATED and finally had to step out of high school and into the real world.

"We need MORE Senior privileges!"

—David Puckett

Dying of hunger . . . Senior Jimmy Hobbs waits for his food at SVCC during a Senior Class field trip. This trip was an annual event in which Seniors took a tour of the local college campus.



Freeze, Don't Move . . . Senior Jessica Hicks uses Senior Jessica Neece's back as a desk while she fills out a form at College Day at the Vocational School. This was a tradition in which college recruiters from surrounding areas supplied information and ideas for all Seniors who attended. College Day was a needed break from school that also proved to be an educational field trip.

Leaving Their Mark . . .

Some Seniors Reflect on Their Favorite Memories of Their High School Days

"The most memorable thing about this high school is that I've made it through the years." —Cheri Wagner

"I will miss everyone so much, but it is my time to go face the world." —Naomah Bush



Thirsty? . . . Senior Brandon Willis refreshes himself at McDonald's after traveling to Southwest Virginia Community College. The Seniors decided to stop for ice cream after the field trip. After snacks, the Seniors played on the McDonald's playground. Others chose to hang around the jukebox listening to oldies or play blocks indoors. It was obvious a trip to a college could not keep the Seniors from being young at heart.



Outside and in charge . . . Seniors Vicky Collins, Anthony Broyles, and Shannon Phillips enjoy their Senior privileges outside. Seniors were allowed to venture out to the picnic area at the end of their lunch period to talk and hang out. However, they soon learned that this advantage could be quickly eliminated by Coach Poole if they did not behave.



"Parking in the Senior Parking is pretty cool, if I could get up early enough to get a spot."
—Travis Jessee

"I feel so high and mighty at assemblies!"
—Tracy Meade



"I like the Senior Parking privilege because I am usually one of the first to get out in the evenings." —Justin Collins

"I like the parking privilege because I get out quicker in the evenings."
—Josh Kite





Most Talented

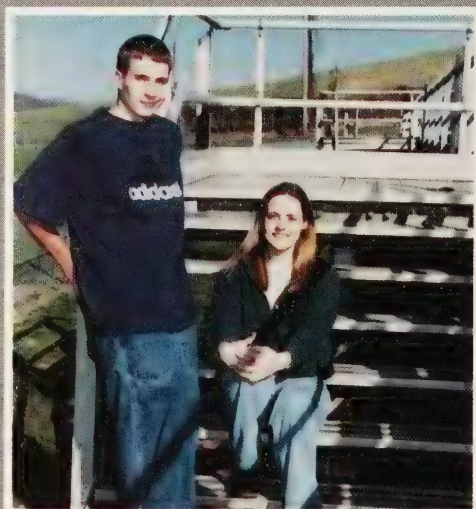
Vicky Collins and Darrell Taylor

Vicky, who led the band as drum major, seemed very pleased with her superlative status when she stated,

"I was glad I won."

Darrell, known for his guitar playing and singing abilities, was excited about being voted Most Talented and admitted,

"It's a thrill!"



Best Personality

Billy Wright and Amber Phillips

Billy, who never had a bad thing to say about anyone and had a good thing to say about himself, responded,

"Well, what did you expect?" when asked his reaction to his superlative honor. Amber, who also never lacked in self-confidence, replied similarly and stated, *"Who else?"*

No one ever said those voted Best Personality were also the

most modest

Stacey Denise Hurd

Matthew Clayton Jacobs



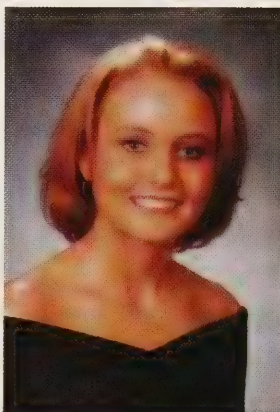
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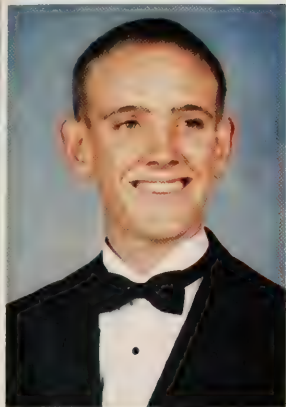
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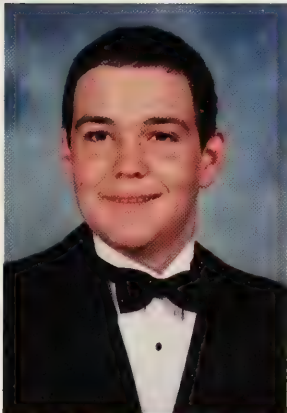
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Veronica Michelle Mays



Daniel Kevin Meade



Stephanie Brooke Mullins



Wesley Garon Mullins



Amber Nicole Phillips



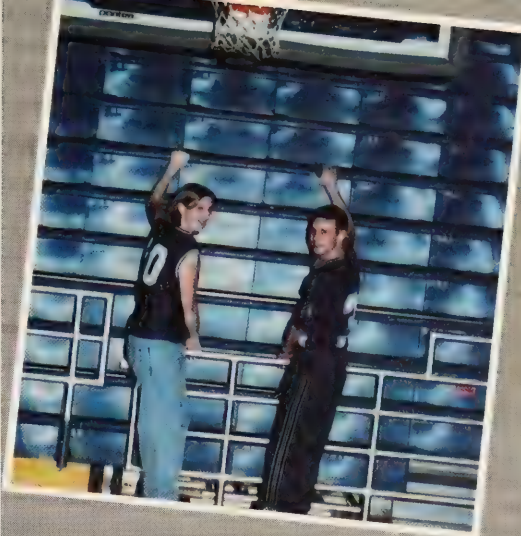
Shannon Denise Phillips

Most Talented- "Run, C&W, because they are famous," stated Chad Austin.

Best Personality- "Vanna White, because she's nice," replied Joey Mooney.

Most Athletic- "Undertaker, because he can beat anyone who wrestles him!" said Jonathan Amos.

Friendliest- "Cameron Diaz, because on and off screen she appears to be an average person," exclaimed Randi Hamilton.



Most Athletic

Kaitashia Fields and Wesley Mullins

Kaitashia, who lettered in three sports, saw a reward in her athletic endeavors when she heard, "It's good to see that my dedication has paid off."

Wesley, who suffered many hard hits on the football field, also felt appreciative and replied, "My hard work has finally paid off."



Friendliest

Lori Tiller and Charlie Osburn

Lori, who never wanted anyone to feel left out, smiled surprised about her honor and replied,

"I must be doing something right."

Charlie, who never met a stranger, was proud about being considered the friendliest in his class and admitted,

"It is good to know that everyone feels that I am nice."



Take A Walk Down Memory Lane



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As the Senior Class neared graduation, they wondered where the time had gone. It seemed like only a few short years had passed since they were just little children looking forward to going to kindergarten. Now they were looking forward to futures as adults. No more easy decisions, now they were going to be the ones in charge. The days of acting like babies were over for these Seniors.

Seniors Remembered Their Beginnings

Now take a long look at these sweet little baby faces and see if you can recognize them all.



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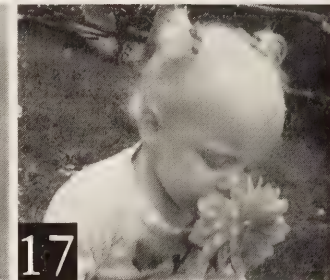
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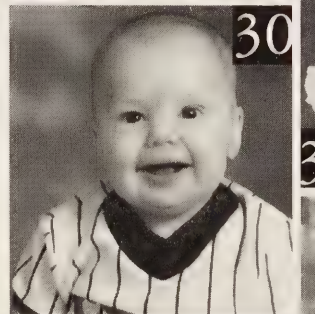
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What was your favorite toy as a child?



Out of the 35 Seniors surveyed, sixteen answered, "Toy cars and trucks."

Seven said, "Stuffed animals."



Eight replied, "Dolls."

Four liked, "Blocks" the best.

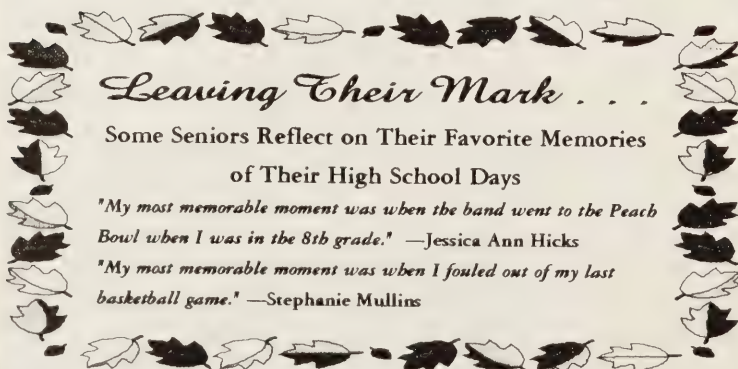


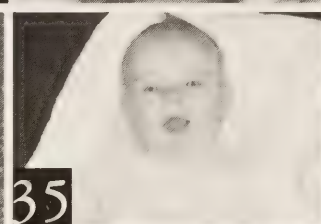
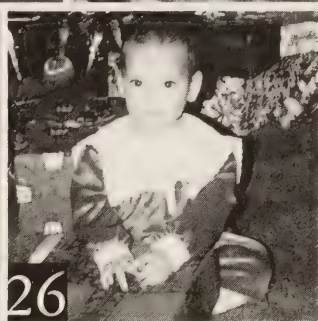
Leaving Their Mark . . .

Some Seniors Reflect on Their Favorite Memories of Their High School Days

"My most memorable moment was when the band went to the Peach Bowl when I was in the 8th grade." —Jessica Ann Hicks

"My most memorable moment was when I fouled out of my last basketball game." —Stephanie Mullins







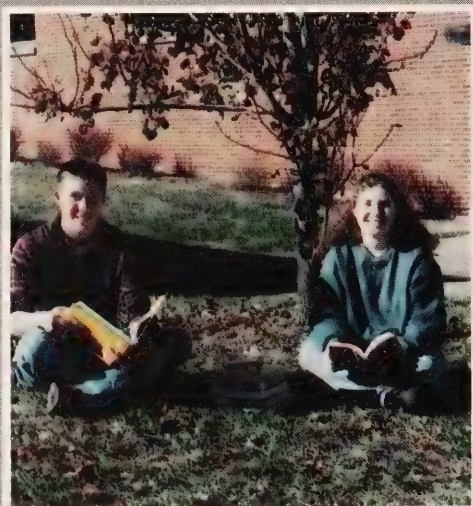
Most Dependable

Stephanie Mullins and Travis Jesse

Stephanie, who was always an eager teacher's helper, and Travis, who helped everyone with their assignments and work, jointly agreed,

"Everybody depends on us for their homework."

Obviously, the class gave credit where credit was due and voted these two as Most Dependable.



Most Studious

Billy Housh and Tonya Ames

Billy, who was inducted into BETA his Senior year, said,

"Studying hard got me into the BETA club."

Tonya, former FBPA National Competitor and Copy Editor of the yearbook, was surprised by her honor but admitted,

"I cannot believe I got nominated, but I'm glad someone saw the work I was doing."

David Wayne Puckett

Alesha Joy Roberts



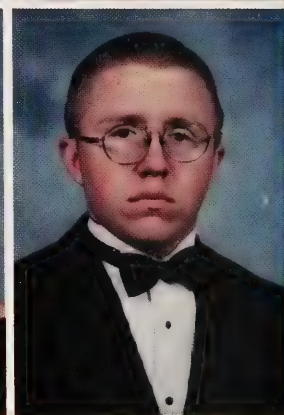
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Crystal Faye Smith

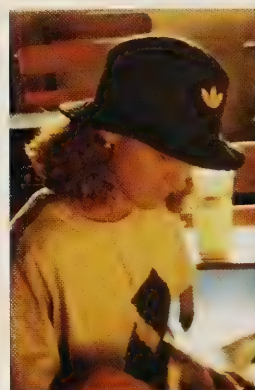
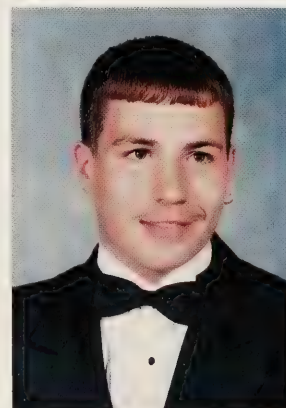


Lori Ann Cittle

Joshua Heath Trent



Billy Jackson Wright



Superlatives

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Amanda Jean Saddler



Kevin Dewayne Salyers



Brandon Adam Sargent



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Victoria Lynn Smith



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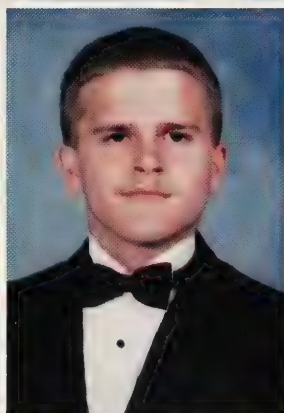
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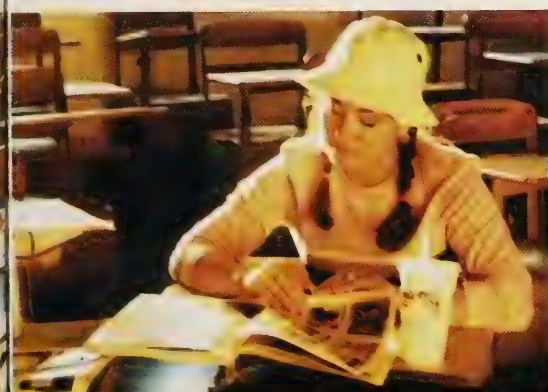
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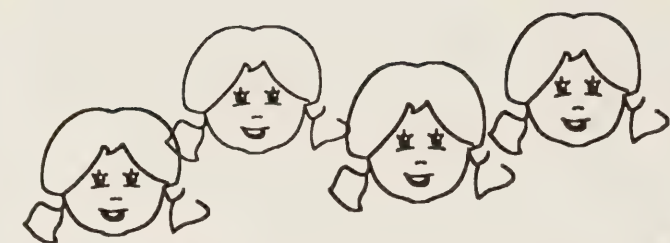


Most Dependable - "Bill Goldberg because he goes to hospitals to sign autographs for little kids," said Duane Holmes.

Most Studious - "Albert Einstein, because $E=mc^2$!" exclaimed Adam Sargent.



Always together . . . Veronica Mays and Amanda Saddler stand by each other through tough journalism meetings while Jessica Bradley and Renee Kilbourne stick together through anything. Seniors realized that friends were always there come what may.



Tug of

Top 5 Reasons It's Great to Be a Senior Girl

5. Women are more organized.

Proof: All of the Senior officers were female.

4. Women have a higher tolerance for pain.

Proof: Did you see the torture the volleyball and girls' basketball players were put through during their games?

OUCH!

3. "Senior girls are better than the Senior boys because they have a better personality!"

— Jessica Neece, Senior

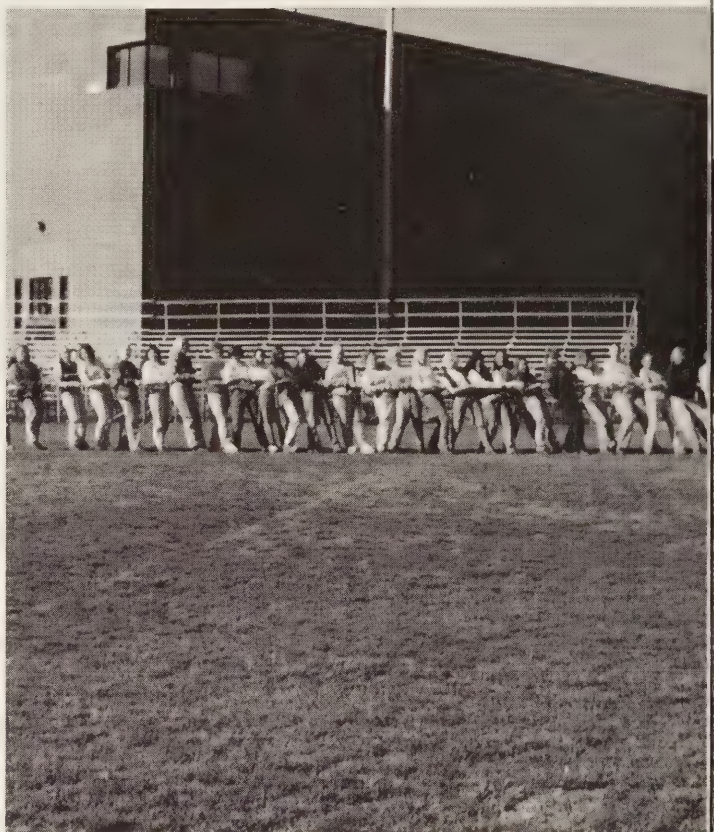
Proof: It's a matter of opinion.

2. Women are more intelligent.

Proof: The majority of Seniors in the Beta Club were girls.

1. Girls just want to have fun.

Proof: Senior girls had no problem leading cheers or doing something just for the fun of it.



"We are
a lot more
mature but we
know how
to have a
good time."

—Crystal Smith



"Senior girls
are better than
Senior guys
and that's the
bottom line, 'cause
Stacey Hurd says so."

—Stacey Hurd



"Girls rule
simply
because
they were
born
that way."

—Shannon Phillips



"Boys depend
upon their
strength
while girls
depend on
their intellect."

—Katy Dickenson

war



"Whose Better Anyway? Boys or Girls?"



Top 5 Reasons It's Great to Be a Senior Guy

5. It's a man's world.

Proof: There were more Senior guys than girls.

4. Men can work with tools and fix things.

Proof: More Senior guys than Senior girls took technical courses at the Vocational School.

3. "Senior boys are better than the Senior girls because the ones of us that are rednecks are cool!" —Josh Trent, Senior

Proof: It's a matter of opinion.

2. Blue is for boys.

Proof: The Senior guys wore blue caps and gowns at graduation.

1. Boys will be boys!

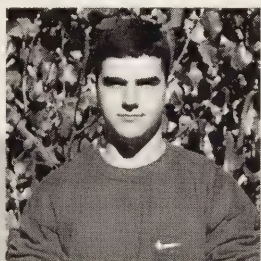
Proof: They never outgrow their toys, they just get bigger and more expensive versions of them

— just check out the Senior parking lot!



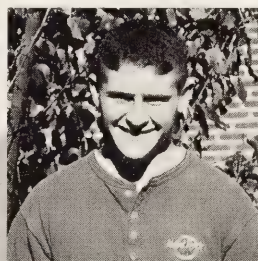
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—Anthony Broyles



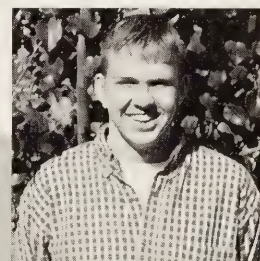
"Senior guys are
better than Senior girls
because girls are always
trying to be better than
guys but they
can't do it."

— Jonathan Cozzolino



"Boys are
better than girls
because we
are a lot
better
looking."

—Jared Coffey



"Boys are
just better
than girls
so what are you
going to do about
it? Nothing, and like it!"

—Brandon Willis



Could you smell the steaks, hamburgers, and baked potatoes in the air? These delicious smells were found at the Senior Day Picnic. Naomah Bush had this to say, *"The food was definitely the best part of the picnic!"* Coach Poole, Coach Roberson, and Mr. McCoy took control of the grill to prepare this scrumptious food for these deserving Seniors. Now what in the world did these Seniors do to deserve a day out of school? Well they **had been** in school for thirteen years; and don't forget the fact that they were the top dogs; and most importantly **just because!** All jokes aside, the Seniors deserved their day to kick back and enjoy themselves and forget about the pressures of school.

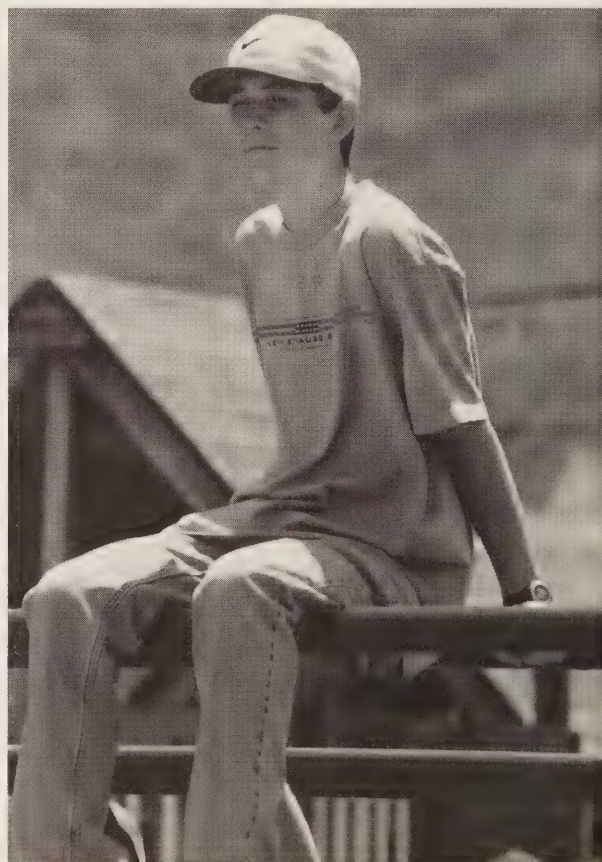
*"Never in my life have I
been so soaked!"*
—Joey Mooney

Don't think these guys and girls did not get their Senior sponsors and teachers back for all of the long classes they had to sit through, or the killer tests they had to study for. The first victim of the day was, of course, Coach Poole. However, this group of Seniors changed the tradition, and instead of pouring water on the government teacher, they covered him with ice cream! Finally, the Seniors went after Mrs. Wallace; but their attempt failed, and she barely got a sprinkle of water thrown on her. After getting revenge on all the sponsors, the Seniors turned on one another, and as the fun-filled day came to an end, Joey Mooney admitted, *"Never in my life have I been so soaked!"*

Fun in the sun . . . Below, Tracy Meade gets a piggyback ride from Brandon Willis after their exhausting game of volleyball, while, to the right, Wendy Dollarhyde, Mickey Collins, and Jessica Hicks look as if they just want to be left alone to rest and relax. The day outside was well spent either playing games, goofing off, talking with friends, or lying around catching up on some rest that Seniors normally did not get during the day in school.



Sweet music . . . Tommy Chafin plays his guitar while Joey Mooney seems to really be enjoying the tune. While some Seniors used the day outside as another way of playing games, some Seniors enjoyed relaxing while talking over old times and strumming guitars.

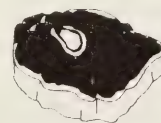


Daydreaming . . . Justin Collins sits on the monkey bars to get away from all the excitement of the picnic and catches up on some thoughts. School was put totally out of everyone's mind that day, but thoughts of their impending graduation could not be forgotten.



This looks delicious . . . Jonathan Amos seems anxious to dig into the wonderful meal prepared for the Seniors by the sponsors. All Seniors agreed that the best part of the picnic was, by far, the food. No one left the picnic hungry as everything from grilled steaks to ice cream sundaes were served to the Senior Class as well as all of the faculty.

The Best Food Served at the Senior Picnic was:



"Steaks," agreed 12 out of 30 Seniors surveyed.

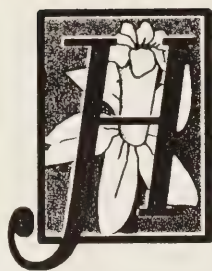
"Salads," said 4 more Seniors.



"Ice cream sundaes," replied 8 others.

"All of them," repounded the remaining 6 Seniors.





Heads Bowed

The Senior Class Took Part in an Inspirational Service

Being a Senior had its advantages, and most everyone knew that reaching the end of the year was an exciting time. Feelings of pride and joy could be seen as the end of the year drew to an end; but, deep inside there were feelings of doubts about the future and anxious hopes for new beginnings. This was no more evident than at the serious, yet inspiring, ceremony known as the Baccalaureate Services.

The services began as Juniors Chasity Chafin and McKinsey Huff led the Seniors into the auditorium one last time. Next, Senior Class President Amber Phillips welcomed Reverend Ernest Jessee, who delivered a heart touching invocation.

Then, Darrell Taylor and Mickey Collins sang two songs for the congregation. *"I just cannot believe that my life in high school is ending,"* commented a tearful Jimmy Hobbs after his peers performed their spiritual hymns. Later, Senior Vice President

Brianne Casteel introduced Reverend Myers Vicars who delivered an inspirational benediction to the graduating

Seniors. Finally, the Seniors were led out of the auditorium for the last time while family and friends stood to honor them. *"I will miss being in high school so much,"* replied Josh Trent as these Seniors realized the end of this road was the beginning of another.

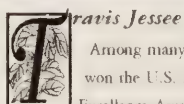
"I just cannot believe that my life in high school is ending."

—Jimmy Hobbs

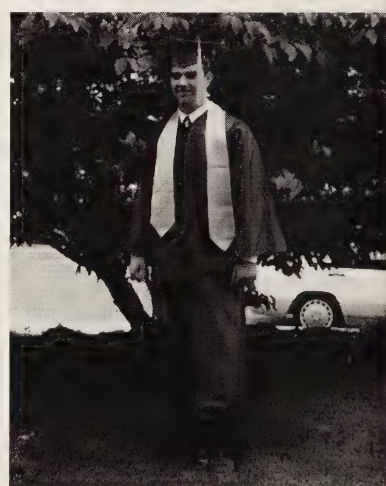
Sweet sounds . . . Darrell Taylor performs "New Grace" for his fellow classmates and parents at the Baccalaureate Services. This contemporary hymn was a moving piece with a message of hope and faith that was enjoyed by the entire congregation.



"It was an honor to be the one to welcome everyone."



Among many other honors, Travis won the U.S. Marine Scholastic Excellence Award and was a WKPT Scholar Athlete of the Week. He lettered in Basketball, Cross Country, Golf, and Track. He participated in Beta, FBLA, PAL's, and SAIDD. Travis was the SCA Secretary Treasurer and the '99 Valedictorian.



In addition to his many other accomplishments, Jonathan won the Pee Wee King Award and was honored as Best Actor in the Cumberland District Theatre Festival. He participated in Football, Forensics, Mock Trial, and Track. He was the SCA President and Salutatorian of his graduating class.

In prayer. . . Members of the Senior Class silently participate in a congregational prayer during the Baccalaureate Services. There were many mixed emotions felt during the service by the graduates, the faculty, and the parents. Seniors realized their days as high school kids were almost over. The Seniors received heartfelt messages from both Reverend Jesse and Reverend Vicars which left them with feelings of new hope for the future.



Stephanie Mullins

Besides her various other successes, Stephanie was awarded the Wendy's High School Heisman Award and the First VA Bank Scholarship. She participated in Volleyball, Basketball, and Track. She was a member of Beta, FBIA, and SCA. Stephanie was also Senior Class Secretary and President of the FBIA.

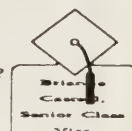


Amanda Saddler

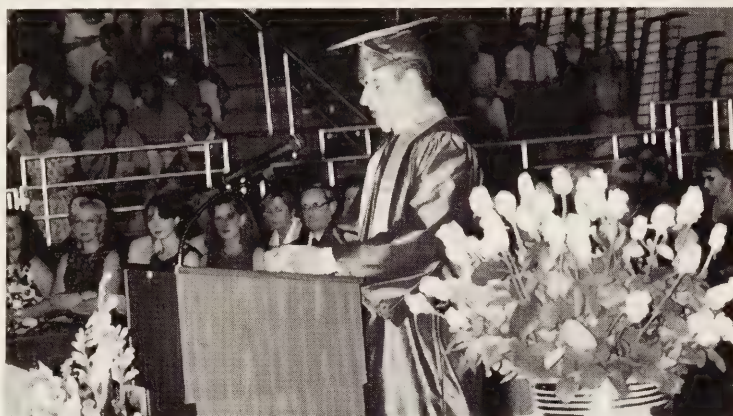
Besides numerous other achievements, Amanda won first place in Photography two years in a row at the Mass Media Competition at SVCC. She lettered in Football and Basketball Cheerleading, Academic Team, and Yearbook. Amanda was a member of Beta, FBIA, and SCA. She was Cheerleading Captain and Yearbook Editor.



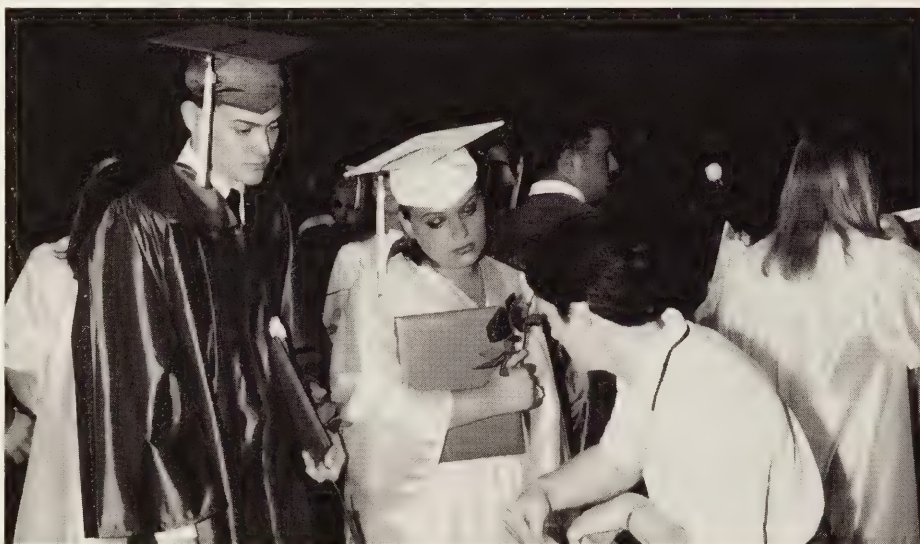
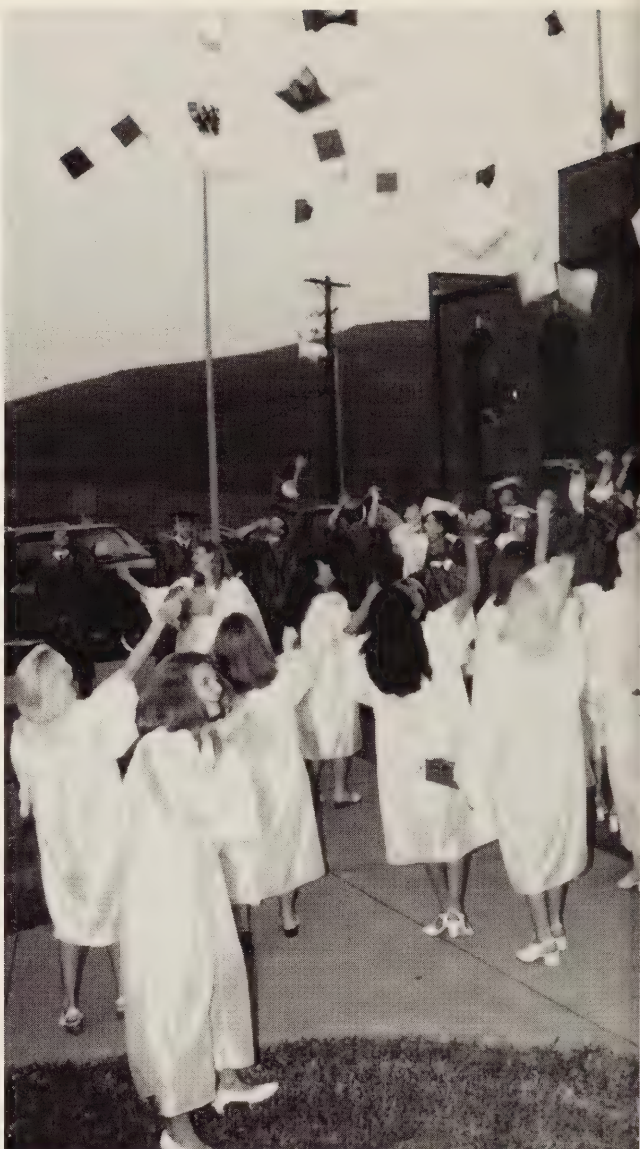
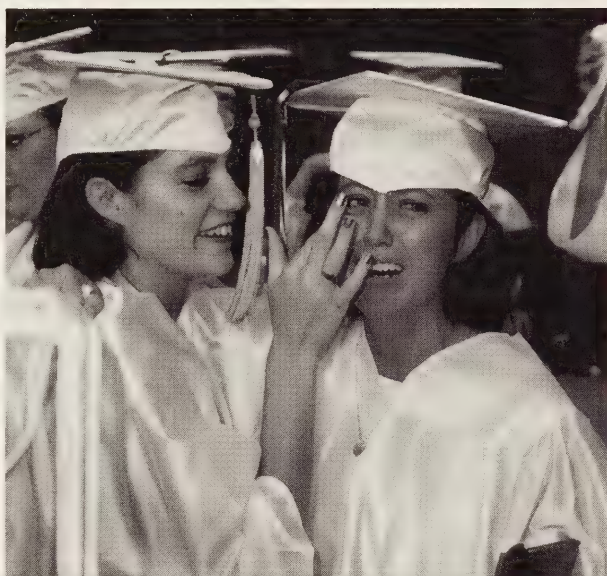
"Introducing Reverend Vicars was easy for me because I have known him for so long."



Words of wisdom . . . Salutatorian Jonathan Cozzolino delivers his speech to his classmates and everyone in attendance. Each speaker gave advice to the graduating Seniors, but the best advice always came from a friend.



Dry your eyes . . . Stephanie Mullins wipes away Brianne Casteel's tears outside in the Senior courtyard after the Graduation ceremony is over. Friends were there to lend a shoulder to cry on for this sad occasion.

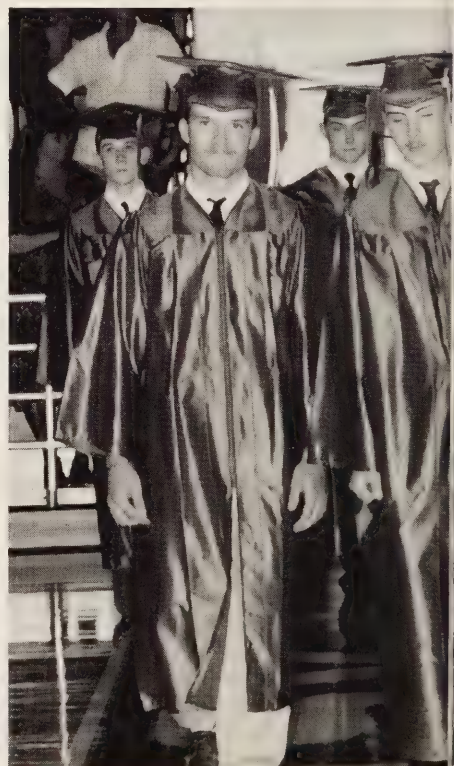


Finally, my *real* diploma . . . David Puckett and Randi Hamilton get their actual diplomas from Ms. Cassell after just receiving a diploma cover when they walked across the floor. Seniors had to wait in line again to receive their diplomas after the ceremony.



Graduation

The final walk . . . Michael Dunford and Chad Austin walk into the gym, followed by Justin Collins and David Puckett, knowing this will be the last time they are considered high school students. Many Seniors dreaded the final walk because they knew their high school life was over.





Hats Off!

The Graduates Celebrated the
End of an Era

As the last graduating class of the millenium walked into the gym, tears filled the eyes of many. It was a sad day; yet, it marked the beginning of a new life for the graduates. Another milestone had passed in the lives of 64 Seniors, many of whom would pursue further education; would enter the workforce; or would enroll in the armed forces.

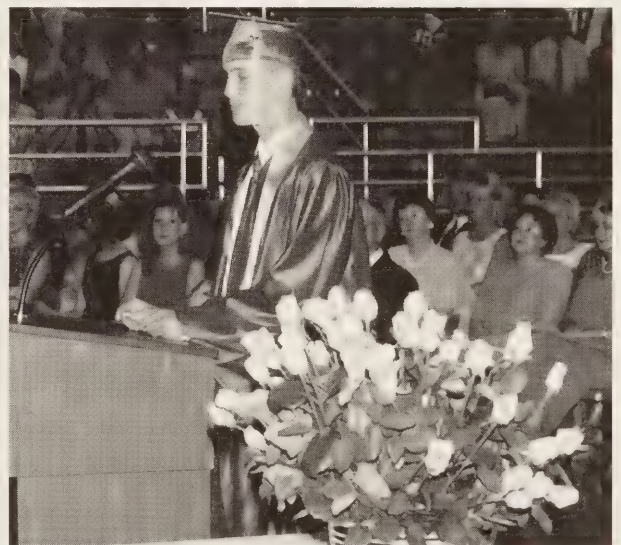
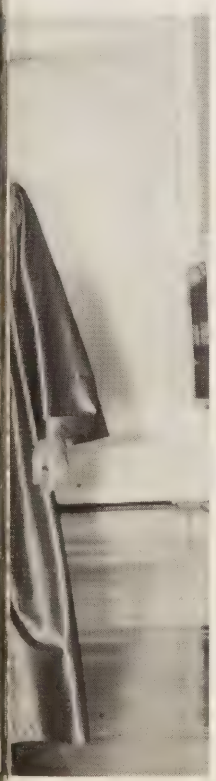
Mixed emotions were felt by each and every Senior. *"I never thought I would cry when I finally got to leave high school,"* replied Jessica Bradley. This seemed to be a common feeling among many in the class.

*"I never thought I would cry
when I finally got to leave
high school."
—Jessica Bradley*

Earlier in the evening, after all the Seniors were seated, the commencement began with Principal Roger Glover welcoming the special guests and parents. Mr. Larry Massie then gave the Seniors his advice on life. Salutatorian Jonathan Cozzolino and Valedictorian Travis Jessee, each gave inspiring speeches that brought

many of their classmates to tears. Finally, the moment every Senior had been waiting for arrived — the awarding of the diplomas; and as David Puckett explained, *"I worked hard for this day and honestly feel like I deserve my diploma."*

Hip Hip Hooray! . . . Seniors make their graduation official by throwing their hats into the air. It was a tradition to go out into the Senior courtyard and throw their caps, and this was a moment in which Seniors could let out a sigh of relief after a very somber, yet moving ceremony.



Final words . . . Valedictorian Travis Jessee expresses his feelings of leaving all of his friends after high school. Possibly never seeing some of their classmates again was a thought on each Senior's mind during Graduation.

Congratulations . . . Daniel Beavers proudly receives his diploma from Mr. Glover. Seniors looked forward to this day since their first day of high school.

Graduation





Above Board

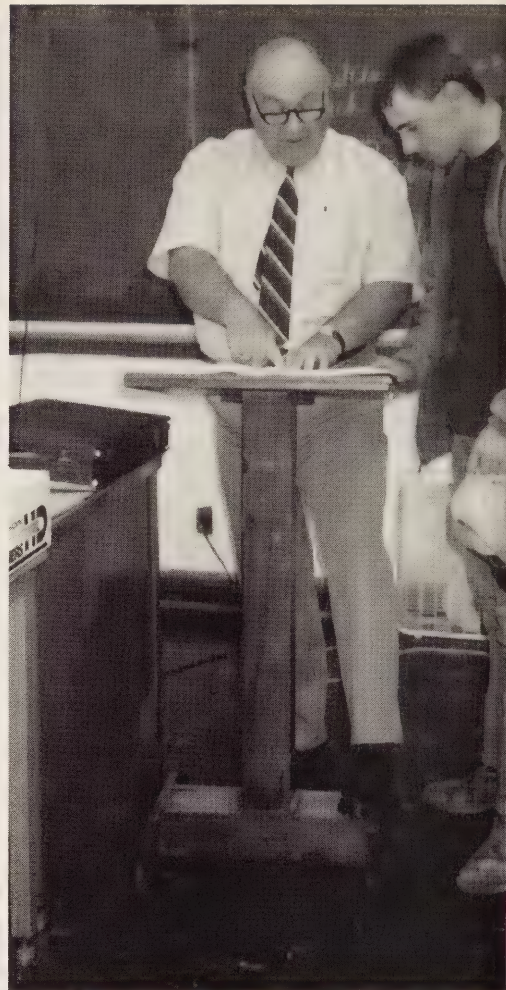
Faculty and Staff Controlled Students' Destiny

Could you imagine speaking in front of thirty people? How about motivating a bunch of sleepy students at 8:30 a.m.? Well, the teachers did this five days a week. What kept them going? For most, it meant the chance to open the minds of the young people and know that they were preparing them for their future. Sometimes teachers admitted that a little frustration sometimes prevailed, but they never lost sight of why they started. *"I know I started teaching for the right reasons. At the risk of sounding like a 'Polyanna,' I really wanted to make a difference. I hope I did. That would make all the difficult experiences worthwhile,"* explained English and Journalism teacher Mrs. Gibson.

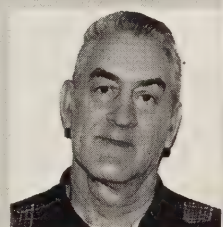
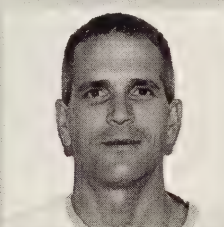
Teachers weren't the only ones who wanted to make a difference. Staff personnel, from custodians to cooks, admitted they liked working with young people. Otherwise, their job would seem pointless. After all . . . they really controlled the students' destiny. They made lasting impressions.

Lending a helping hand . . .

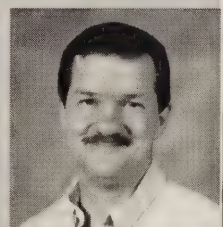
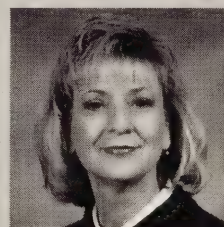
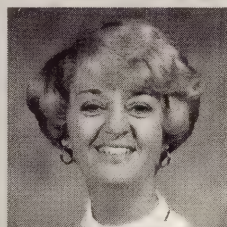
Mr. Aubrey Ward helps Senior Chad Austin with his consumer math assignment in Room 102 at the end of class. Teachers often assisted students with assignments and homework, and they also offered some guidance when their students came to them with problems. Teachers were always there to give extra help, explain a concept, or lend an ear along with some sound advice.



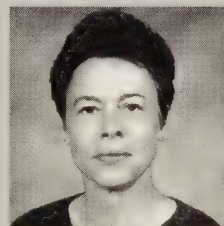
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Tom Allen, Physical Education
Mary Lou Bevins, Home Economics
Sherman Bise, Custodian



Mary Bush, Special Education
Linda Cassell, Guidance
Peggy Castle, Business
Mike Clatterbuck, Custodian



Debra Dorton, Fiber Optics
Amber Gibson, English/Journalism
Shirley Gibson, Office Aide
Dan Glass, Mathematics





Helping out . .

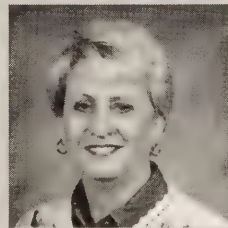
. . . Helen Jessee, library aide, assists Senior Jonathan Amos while he is searching for a book to read in the library. Whether it was research papers or book reports due, the librarians and their aides always lent a helping hand when students requested help in finding material. Students also went to the library on days when they needed to relax and get some peace and quiet, because everyone knew there was no talking allowed in the library. The library created a comfortable atmosphere where students could go and sit alone in a corner and get some work done before class.



Jackie Hackney, Science
Roger Hale, Custodian
Herman Hodges, Computer Lab
Penny Hudson, Special Education



Brenda Jessee, Special Education
Helen Jessee, Library Aide
Brenda Johnston, Physical Education
Morley Jones, Drivers' Education



Michael Knybel, Band
Chris Maples, Secretary
Dudley McCoy, Social Studies
Connie Milton, Librarian

Roger Glover,
Principal



Cafeteria Staff:
FRONT ROW:
Shirley Bise and
Edna Hall. **BACK**
ROW: Rachel
Collins, Edna
Statzer, Sharon
Rynes, Helen
Smith, Linda
Austin, and Nell
Banner.



Laymon
"Butch" Kiser,
Assistant Principal



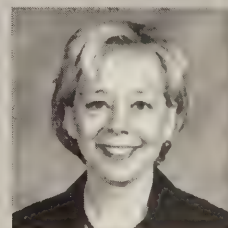
Bus Drivers:
FRONT ROW:
Mary Meade and
Virgie Castle.
BACK ROW:
Mona Mullins,
Kathy Bush, Alice
Collins, Eddie
Beavers, Bobby Jo
Osborne, and
Charlie Osborne.

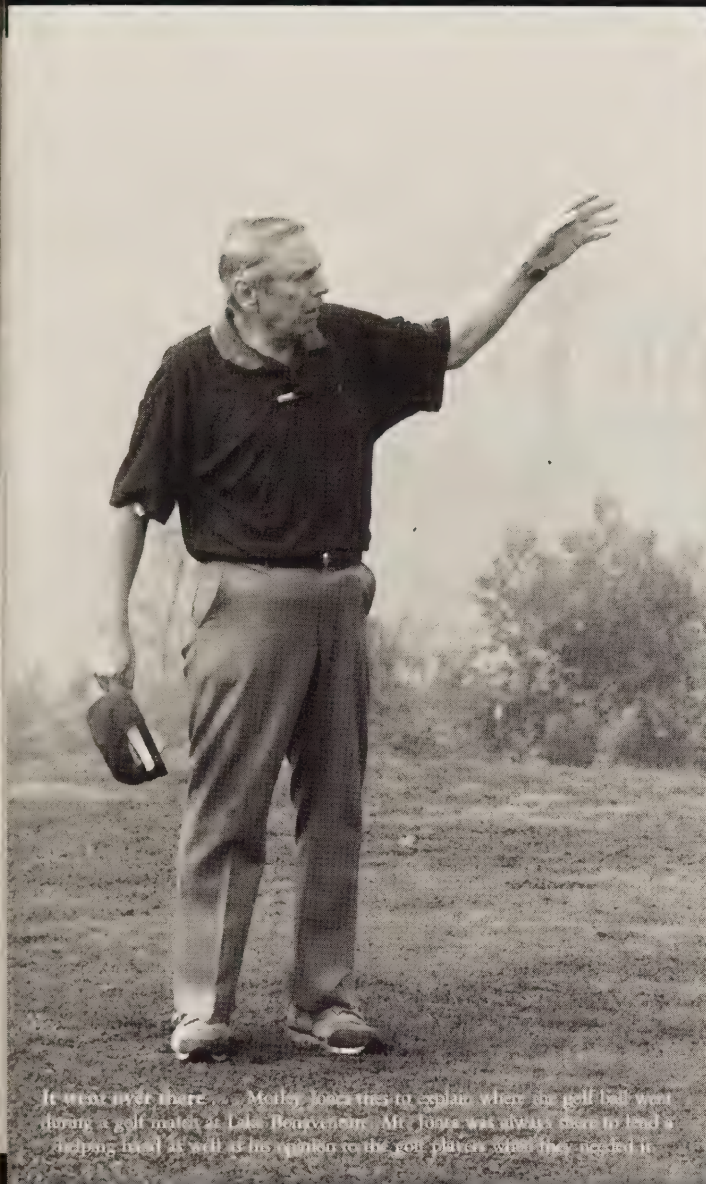


Linda Miotke, Science
Randy Poole, Social Studies
Deanna Proffitt, Spanish
Mike Roberson, Social Studies



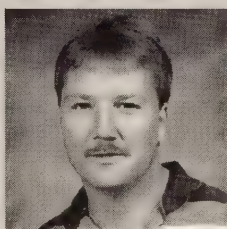
Caroline Sabo, English
John Sabo, Science/Math/Civics
Larry Shortt, Mathematics
Fredia Skeens, Mathematics





It went right there. . . . Mr. Jones tries to explain where the golf ball went during a golf match at Lake Beauvechain. Mr. Jones was always there to lend a helping hand as well as his opinion to the golf players when they needed it.

Official business . . . Chris Maples, Amber Gibson, Peggy Castle, Roger Glover, and Mike Clatterbuck discuss the day's activities and problems while congregating around the counter in the office, while below, Connie Milton seems to have given up on the continuous problems the computers seem to cause her each day. Members of the faculty always seemed to have something to keep them busy and on their toes each and every day.



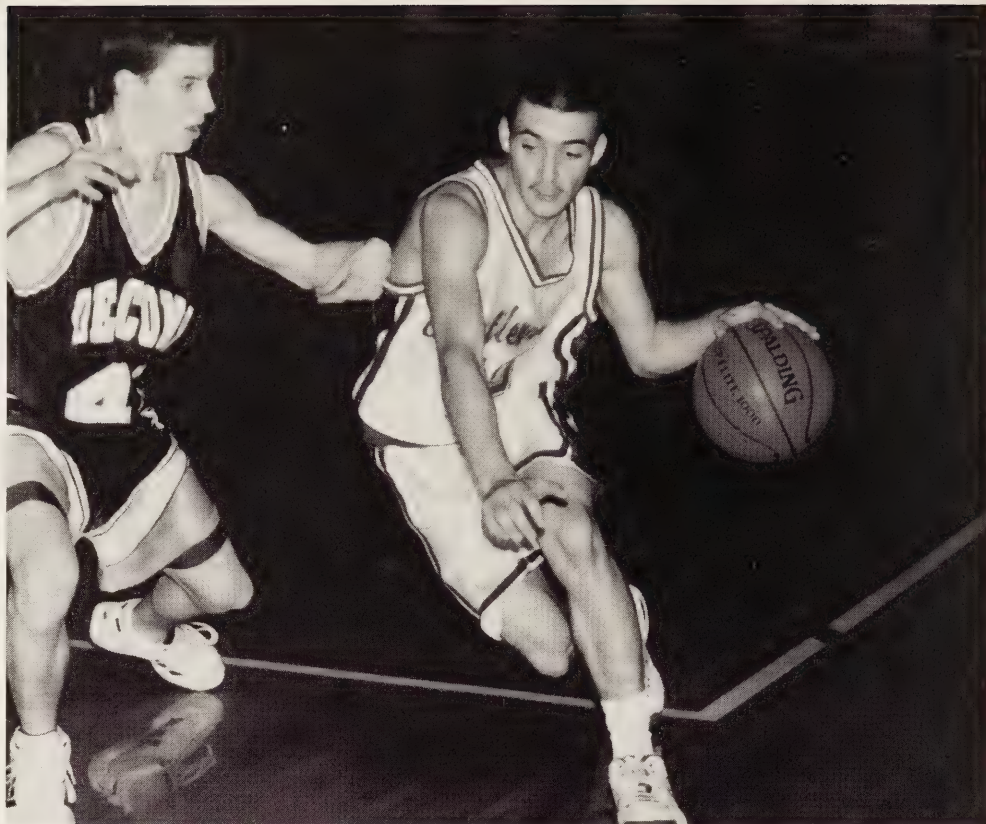
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Deanna Talbert, English
Darrell Taylor, Special Education
Charlotte Tarwater, Bookkeeper

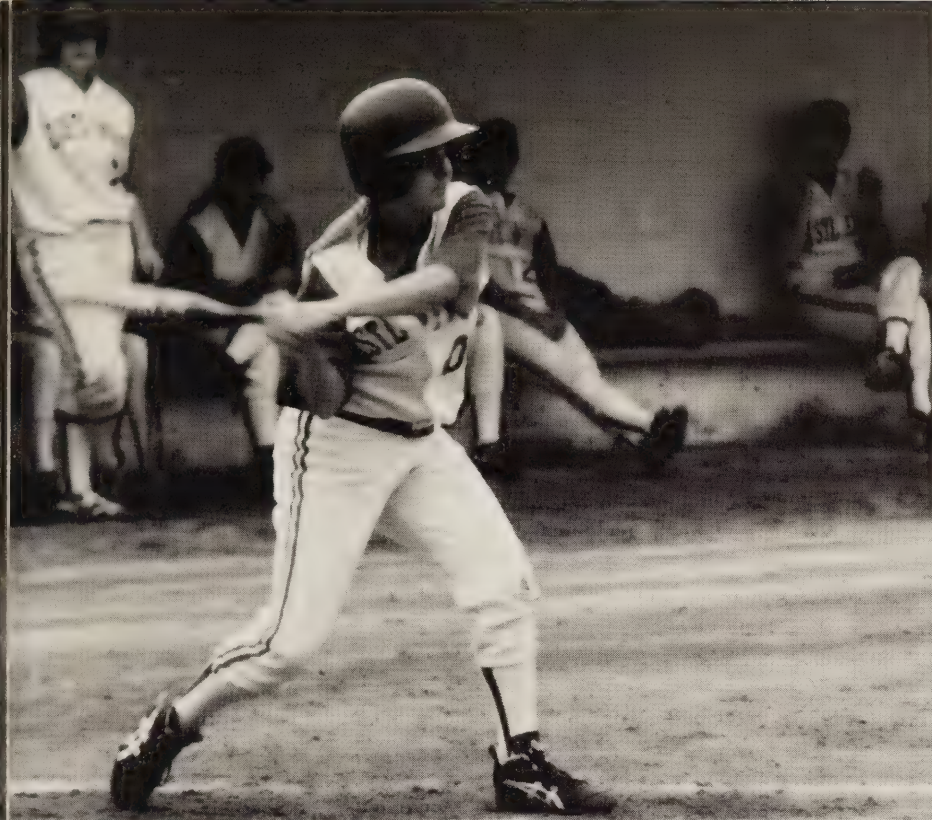


Dolly Wallace, English/Drama
Aubrey Ward, Mathematics
Allen Wells, Science
Kim Wright, Art/Choir

Back off . . . Sophomore Ray Mullins flashes past the opponent, St. Paul Deacon Max Morris, as he makes his way down the court during a home game. After a tough action-packed game, the J.V. Basketball Team slipped by the Deacons with a close score of 43 to 40. The team had a reputation of playing well under pressure and won some other close games such as: Holston 40-39; Coeburn 53-51; and Twin Springs 36-35. The team realized that never giving up was key to a successful season both on and off the court.

Can't bring him down . . . Junior Josh Bradley fights his way through a sticky situation which seems to be the entire Honaker Football Team. Though the Varsity Football Team won many small battles that night, they lost the war with a score of 46-6. However, since the game took place during the Halloween weekend, everyone was in a festive mood. The marching band performed their half-time show wearing a variety of wacky costumes while the entire student body was still laughing about the crazy contestants that participated in the Halloween Dress-Up Contest that was held earlier that day during second and third periods.





Senior Swinger . . . Senior Amber Phillips gets ready to knock one out of the park during a home game against Twin Springs. The Softball Team won with a score of 21 to 0, and Amber was named to the 1st Team All-Cumberland District and was a key Senior leader for helping her team to a successful season and a trip to the State Quarterfinals. The Softball Team had another successful year and also kept up the record of fourteen straight District Championships. Senior leadership proved invaluable in other sports also. Younger athletes could always turn to these more experienced teammates for pointers and guidance during their various sports seasons. Other Senior athletes included . . . Football: Jonathan Cozzolino, Justin Wallace, Jared Coffey, Wesley Mullins, Tyrone House, and Roy Couch; Football Cheerleading: Amanda Saddler; Girls' Basketball: Amanda Vicars, Natasha Fields, Stephanie Mullins, Amber Phillips, and Brianne Casteel; Boys' Basketball: Adam Sargent, Jared Coffey, and Travis Jessee; Basketball Cheerleading: Amanda Saddler, and Alesha Roberts; Cross Country: Brandon Willis and Travis Jessee; Volleyball: Stephanie Mullins, Veronica Mays, Natasha Fields, Amber Phillips, Brianne Casteel, Crystal Smith, and Rebecca Milgrim; Golf: Jonathan Amos, and Travis Jessee; Softball: Amber Phillips, Brianne Casteel, Natasha Fields, and Fleisha Shortridge; Baseball: Tyrone House, Josh Kite, Adam Sargent, and Charlie Osborne; Track: Stephanie Mullins, Jared Coffey, Jonathan Cozzolino, and Brandon Willis; Forensics: Jonathan Cozzolino, Jared Coffey, Kary Dickenson, Darrell Taylor, Wendy Dollarhyde, and Randi Hamilton; Mock Trial: Katy Dickenson, Jared Coffey, and Jonathan Cozzolino.



we got GAME

Sports Teams Set Out on the Hunt

What does a hulking **football player** and a petite **football cheerleader** have in common? Not a lot . . . at first glance. However, whether hunting on their own turf, or on the enemy's territory, both were in search of the same thing — **GAME!**

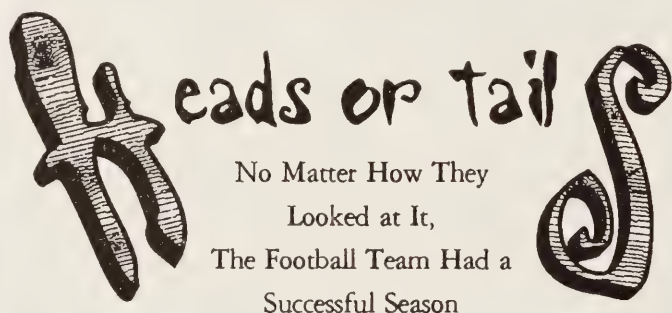
"Game" seemed to be the hunted prey in every sport. **Wrestlers** could be found wrestling "bear"-handed to victory, while the **Girls' and Boys'**

Basketball Players were shooting for their goals. **Boys' Basketball Cheerleaders** offered their battle cry in support. Other athletes, such as the **Cross Country and Track Team Members**, ran full speed ahead to conquer any obstacles in their paths. **Golf Team Members**, on the other hand, prepared to club their next victims on the green. In addition, **Volleyball Team Players** spiked and killed the hunted, while **Softball and Baseball Team Members** hit them with their best shot. And, finally, the **Forensic, Mock Trial and Academic Team Participants** outfoxed their prey with their intellect and acting techniques and abilities.

Whatever the team, whatever the sport, each group set out on the hunt in hopes of a victory. Sometimes they were successful and brought home the coveted trophies and titles. Other times they simply had to settle for the thrill of competition as the hunter became the hunted. Either way, each team proved what it had already known — **we got GAME!**



Varsity Football Team . . . **FRONT ROW:** Amy Puckett, Jessica Amburgey, Courtney King, Ashley Addington, Jessica Cain, Danielle Sargent, Shonna Glover, and Amanda Saddler. **SECOND ROW:** Ray Mullins, Chris Light, Tyrone House, Jared Ward, Chad Smith, Eli Hancock, Josh Riddle, James Kring, Heath Francis, and Heath Fields. **THIRD ROW:** Tanner Dotson, Wesley Mullins, David Crabtree, Jesse Barnette, Grady Kring, Derrick House, Matt Nickles, Josh Steele, Jared Coffey, Daniel Compton, and Brandon Coffey. **FOURTH ROW:** Jacob Holbrook, Matt Dye, Chase King, Cameron Hall, Jonathan Cozzolino, Shane Kenyon, Chad Hamblin, Jared Glass, Eric Ervin, Ronnie Phillips, Michael Patrick, Ryan McDaniel, and Daven Phillips. **FIFTH ROW:** Brandon Talford, Ricky Neece, Adam Jesse, Justin Wallace, Kelly Paul King, Randall Stratzer, Josh Steffey, Ricky Gibson, Roy Couch, David Hileman, Josh Bradley, Derick Phillips and Matt Justice. **BACK ROW:** Coaches Allen Wells, Darrell Taylor, Marty Holloway, Mike Roberson, Randy Poole, Mike Hutchinson, and Chris King.



The Varsity Football Team started vigorous training in the summer at their annual football camp. They had to adjust to the change of losing five of their most experienced players to graduation.

Disappointment came early in the season when Seniors Wesley Mullins and Tyrone House were injured on the field. It was going to be a rough season, but with the leadership of Coach Roberson and the older team members, the team knew they would be able to hold their own on the football field.

"It was an overall learning experience."

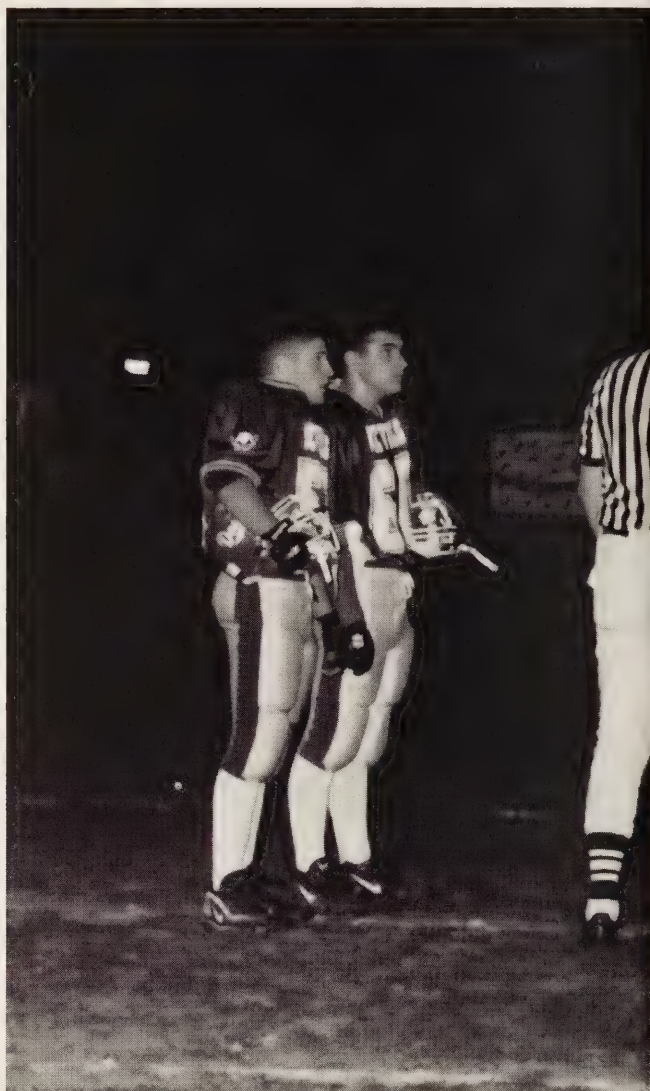
—Josh Riddle, Junior

With two star players sidelined with injuries, the team had to regroup. Players learned new plays and some changed positions. *"It was an overall learning*

experience," said Junior Josh Riddle, who moved from quarterback to half-back.

Though there were times when the team experienced the "varsity blues," each player gave 110% every Friday night. As Sophomore Daniel Compton stated, *"I gave it my all throughout the season."* No matter how one looked at it, the football season was a successful one.

With a toss of the coin . . . Seniors Jared Coffey and Jonathan Cozzolino wait in anticipation to see if they will win the coin toss before the start of the Homecoming Game against the Ervinton Rebels. By tradition, the Senior Captains of the Football Team always went on the field for the coin toss.



ScoreBOARD

Devils Opponent

0	John Battle	20
7	Thomas Walker	23
6	Patrick Henry	31
7	Holston	8
20	Rye Cove	40
22	St. Paul	6
21	Northwood	45
28	Ervinton	8
16	Twin Springs	30
6	Honaker	46

Homecoming proved to be a successful night for many, as the team won the game with a score of 28-8. The Homecoming activities also included the crowning of the Homecoming Queen during the halftime show and the annual Homecoming Dance following the game.



Huddle up
... Sophomore quarterback James Kring, number 20, gives his team some last minute advice before an offensive play against the Ervinton Rebels. Final instructions from team leaders proved invaluable during game time. The team went on to win the home game by 20 points.



J.V. Football Team ...
FRONT ROW: Matt McReynolds, David Hileman, Casey Dorson, Jonathan Hall, Heath Fields, Adam Jesse, and Grady Kring. **BACK ROW:** Chris Marshall, Randall Statzer, Jared Ward, Ricky Gibson, Jacob Holbrook, Adam Fields, Brandon Talford, Brandon Hall, Daven Phillips, Freddie Holbrook, and William Fields.

Breaking Through

J.V. Football Went All Out

Rookie players dominated the J.V. Football Team. The members of the team were young and inexperienced, but they kept a positive attitude. As Freshman Grady Kring said, "It was fun, but we had a lot of rookies on the team, so we didn't do good."

"We started off bad but ended up on a good note."

—Ricky Gibson,
Freshman

Despite their naivete, the members of the team played considerably well. Throughout the season, the players gained both experience and confidence. Freshman Ricky Gibson best summed up the season by saying "We started off bad but ended up on a good note."

SCOREBOARD

J. V. Devils

J. V. Opponent

16	Ervinton	20
21	Clintwood	35
36	Rye Cove	50
14	Twin Springs	0



All the right moves ... Freshman Grady Kring runs like the wind in hopes of a touchdown for the J.V. Team during a home game against Clintwood.

TREEmendous stuff!

Check Out the Top Highlights of the Season

- The Cheerleading Squad helped teach cheers to the Peanut Football Cheerleaders.
- They learned a dance routine at cheerleading camp during the summer and performed it during half-time at one of the home games.
- On September 11th the squad celebrated Sophomore Amy Puckett and Senior Amanda Saddler's birthday with dinner after the game.
- The squad purchased a new reusable run-through sign that glowed in the dark.
- They teamed up to take second place in the Halloween Dress Up Contest as the cast of *"The Wizard of Oz."*

Strolling along . . . Mrs. Bush and Freshman Courtney King are ready to leave the game and go out to eat after a great night at Patrick Henry. The squad always looked forward to eating after games.



Football Cheerleaders . . . Danielle Sargent, Courtney King, Captain Shonna Glover, Captain Amanda Saddler, Ashley Addington, Amy Puckett, and Jessica Amburgey.

Enthusiasm at its best . . . Sophomore Danielle Sargent cheers on the football team at Patrick Henry. *"I've enjoyed cheering because it's an opportunity to have fun and show my Devil Pride at the same time,"* commented Danielle.





Deep Roots

Football Cheerleaders Kept
the Tradition of
School Spirit and Pride



The sport of cheerleading, (yes it is considered a sport!), was started way back in 1898 when Jack Campbell became the first ever cheerleader and started the first organized squad. For many years cheerleading was a totally male dominated sport.

Well, times changed! The Varsity Football Cheerleading Squad consisted of seven girls who were willing to sacrifice many hours during the summer and after school for practice. They gave it their all, encouraging the Football Team in any way they could. They promoted school spirit within the members of the student body and around the community.

"It was my first year. It was a new experience and a lot of hard work, but it was worth it," said Sophomore Amy Puckett. She along with three other new members brought added

The squad was always busy with various things. Every Friday night the cheerleaders arrived at the games early and left late to take care of duties such as hanging and taking down signs.

Homecoming Week was especially hectic. There were spirit links to sell, count, and staple; corsages to hand out; and a pep rally to prepare for.

Sometimes the squad wondered if

"It was my first year. It was a new experience and a lot of hard work, but it was worth it."

—Amy Puckett, Sophomore

enthusiasm to the squad.

Together the group worked hard to uphold the traditions of the cheerleading squads before them. They created new cheers and chants, but kept the old ones everybody knew and loved.

it was all worth the effort. Then they remembered what cheerleading was and had always been about. *"Cheerleading has left me with a lot of fun memories,"* said Sophomore Jessica Amburgey. It was all about just having fun.

"Cheerleading was a great experience this year because I was chosen Captain and got to work with a great group of girls."

—Shonna Glover, Captain

"We really had a lot of fun this year, it was a great way to spend my Senior year."

—Amanda Saddler, Captain



My Most Embarrassing Moment While cheerleading Was:



"Forgetting the cheer we were doing," said one cheerleader.



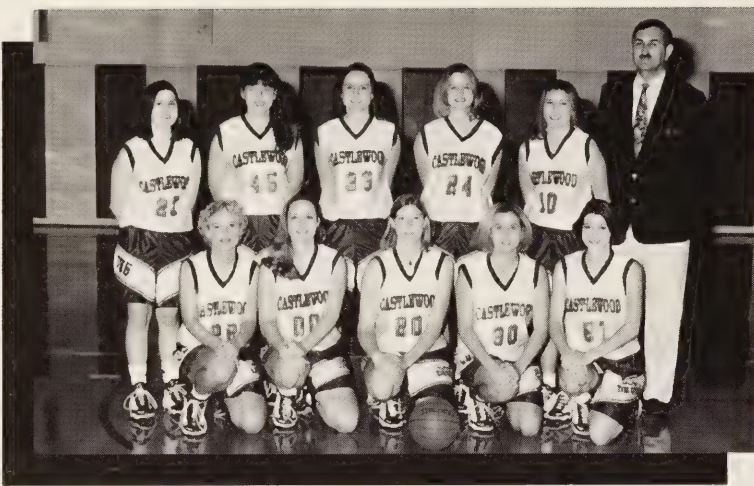
"Doing a flip and falling on my rear," responded another.



"Hitting a fan with a plastic football during half-time," agreed two more squad members.



And *"falling during a cheer or stunt,"* replied three others.



Varsity Girls' Basketball Team . . . FRONT ROW: Amanda Vicars, Amber Phillips, Natasha Fields, Brianne Casteel, and Stephanie Mullins. BACK ROW: Amy Jones, Chasity Chafin, Jessica Hogg, Traci Poole, McKinsey Huff, and Coach John Sabo.

Stampede Ahead

Varsity Girls Moved
Through a Successful
Season

Dedication and team work were the two main ingredients in the "recipe" for the Varsity Girls' Basketball Team. After losing four key Senior players, the road to success would be hard to follow.

The team started out with three consecutive wins. This winning streak was stopped by county rival, the Lebanon Pioneers. They retaliated by winning at Lebanon with a 56-53 victory and Senior Natasha Fields reached her thousandth career point. "After five years of hard work, I finally reached 1,000!," she exclaimed.

"As my first year on varsity, I had many new experiences; but I am looking forward to next year." —Amy Jones, Junior

The ladies never gave up, and their determination paid off. They made it into the Cumberland District Tournament and defeated the St. Paul Deacons.

However, the season ended with a disappointing upset by the Thomas Walker Pioneers.

The victories and defeats of the season offered a lot of experience to the new varsity members. Junior Amy Jones stated, "As my first year on varsity, I had many new experiences; but I am looking forward to next year." The team and its five Senior players were left with a feeling of complete satisfaction.

TRREmendous stats!

Check Out the Top Highlights of the Season

- The team finished in the top three of the Cumberland District.
- They beat a top ranked county rival, the Lebanon Pioneers, at the "Mecca" in Lebanon.
- Seniors Amber Phillips and Natasha Fields were picked for the All-District Team.
- Natasha Fields scored her 1,000th career point against Lebanon.
- Natasha Fields signed a Division 1 NCAA letter of intent with The University of Maryland Eastern Shore.

ScoreBOARD

Devils Opponent

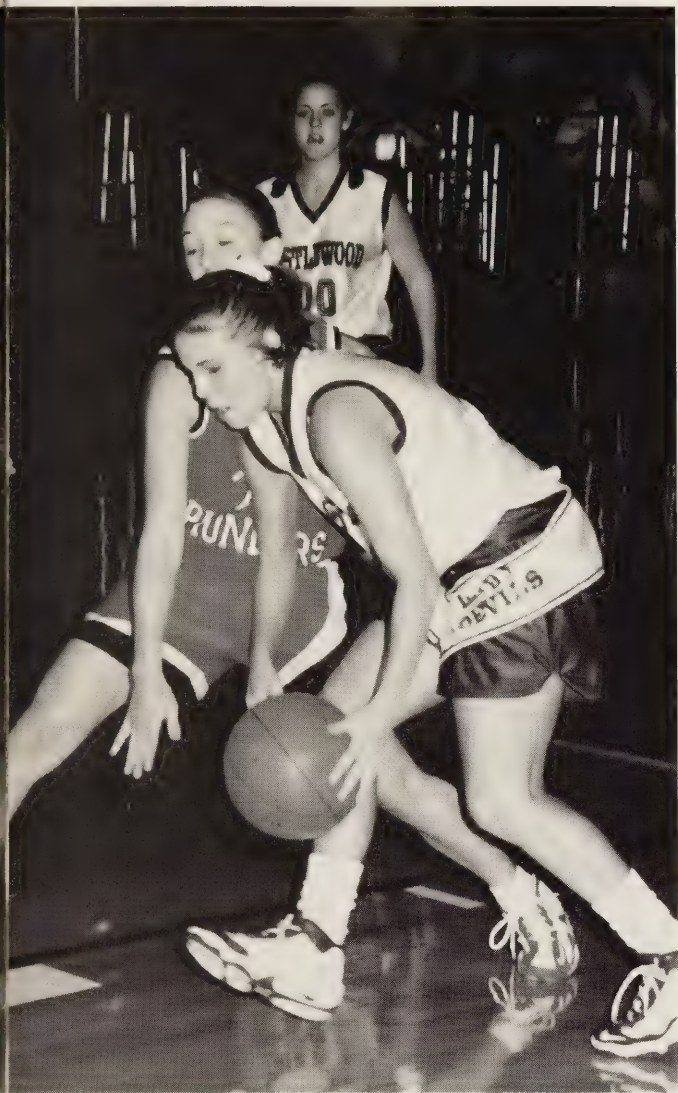
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61	Chilhowie	38
50	Lebanon	61
54	Honaker	34
67	Coeburn	39
67	Holston	48
54	Honaker	34
67	Coeburn	39
51	Ervinton	39
50	Rye Cove	52
58	St. Paul	42
61	Thomas Walker	55
56	Ervinton	51
56	Lebanon	33
37	Rye Cove	60
48	Twin Springs	46
49	St. Paul	33
49	Twin Springs	38
65	Thomas Walker	68

Move over

. . . Senior Natasha Fields swiftly maneuvers around the players on the Lebanon team to move the ball down the court. Zig-zagging in and out of players was an important part of playing varsity basketball during every game.



It's mine! . . . Junior McKinsey Huff takes the ball down the court during the home game against Lebanon. The girls were defeated by the Pioneers 50-61, but later beat them at the Mecca 56-33.



Gather around . . . Senior Amanda Vicars dribbles the ball down the court after Coach Tom Allen and Coach John Sabo call the varsity team over for a talk. Getting a pep talk during a game was the best time for last minute strategies.



J.V. Girls' Basketball Team . . . FRONT ROW: Kayla Buckles, Alishia Cox, Jessica Clevinger, Angelic Counts, Jessica Chafin, and Alicia King. BACK ROW: Coach Tom Allen, Jessica Cain, Amanda Taylor, Traci Long, Tracy Evans, and Damara Fields.

Sweet Victory

J.V. Girls Pulled Together for a Final Win

The J.V. Girls' Basketball Team started out down a rocky road, but the determined young members refused to let this ruin their season. "I knew this would be a great season because I was a sophomore and also co-captain,"

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—Amanda Taylor, Sophomore

commented Sophomore Amanda Taylor.

The team pulled together for a much deserved victory in their final game and defeated Thomas Walker with an exciting win. It was a perfect ending to the season. As Eighth Grader Damara Fields said, "As an eighth grader, I think it was a good experience for when I get older."

SCOREBOARD

J. V. Devils

J. V. Opponent

35	Holston	39
21	Chilhowie	26
22	Honaker	32
28	Chilhowie	35
27	Lebanon	41
54	Coeburn	17
25	Holston	31
30	Honaker	33
45	Coeburn	16
31	Rye Cove	42
43	Ervinton	35
29	St. Paul	42
40	Thomas Walker	45
42	Ervinton	24
15	Lebanon	26
26	Rye Cove	40
21	Twin Springs	16
31	St. Paul	39
34	Twin Springs	19
29	Thomas Walker	27



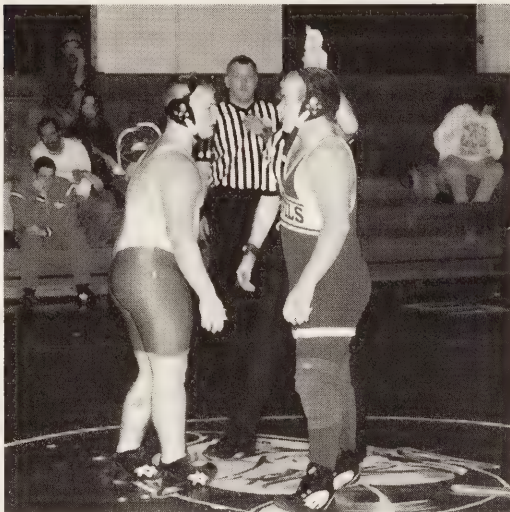
Time out . . . The J.V. Team gets advice from Coach Allen during the game against Thomas Walker. The team won the close game, 29-27.

TREEmendous Stats!

Check Out the Top Highlights of the Season

- The team produced several District Champions that advanced to Regionals.
- Three members of the team also made it all the way to the Virginia High School League State Competition.
- The team won more matches than in the previous year.
- Every wrestler finished the season with no injuries and managed to stay healthy throughout the season.

Wrestlemania . . . Sophomore Daniel Compton gets his hand raised by the referee after a victorious win against a Garden opponent at home. The team came out ahead as well with an impressive score of 48 to 18.



Ready to charge . . . Freshman Jacob Holbrook looks his Patrick Henry opponent square in the eye before locking horns with him in a gruelling match at home in the old gymnasium. Although the team fought valiantly to the end, they lost with a closer than close score of 33 to 34.

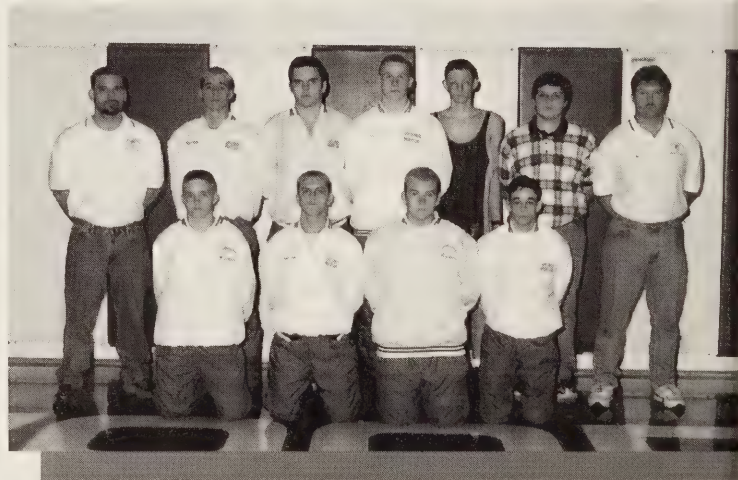


ScoreBOARD

Devils

Opponent

19	Abingdon	57
34	Holston	45
18	J.J. Kelly	64
33	Patrick Henry	34
24	Northwood	36
48	Garden	18
42	Lebanon	36
22	Coeburn	51
34	Holston	45
24	Beaver Creek N.C.	42
42	Coeburn	55
24	Powell Valley	59
41	Lebanon	36
30	Powell Valley	48
15	J.J. Kelly	62
36	Lebanon	42



Wrestling Team . . . **FRONT ROW:** Jacob Holbrook, Heath Francis, Daniel Compton, and Eli Hancock. **BACK ROW:** Coach Todd Glovier, Chad Smith, Eric Ervin, Ryan McDaniel, Jonathan Finch, Josh Steffey, and Coach Darrell Taylor.



Locking horns



The Wrestling Team Faced Their Opponents Head On

When a person thinks of wrestling, he or she usually thinks of names like Stone Cold Steve Austin, The Undertaker, and Bill Goldberg. However, names like Daniel Compton and Ryan "Air-Time" McDaniel went down in the school's memory as perhaps the best of the best. They were both top regional contenders.

The Wrestling Team itself consisted of eight strong men who were not only strong in body but also in heart! Junior Eli Hancock explained, "You have to work hard and train to be your best." Wrestling not only took muscles, but also the willpower to be a champion.

Crowds would gather to see the strength of this wrestling team. Before each match started, words of encouragement were exchanged between the wrestlers to show good sportsmanship.

The smooth moves on the mat usually proved victorious. The team collected many individual and team victories, such as the District Championship. Sophomore Daniel Compton said, "It feels good to be a District Champ!"

Every match, including District Competition, was jam packed with body slams and more. At the main event, State Competition, the stakes

"It feels good to be a District Champ!"

—Daniel Compton,
Sophomore

When the contenders entered the ring ready for battle, there was no stopping these guys! After a few famous moves, members of the Wrestling Team would either pin their opponent to the mat or win by decision.

were just as high as the adrenaline. And, even though there were no State Champions for the season, the Wrestling Team locked horns with each and every one of their opponents and never backed down.

"The season had its ups and downs, but the sport is so tough that just making it through the season is an accomplishment for anyone."

—Chad Smith, Junior

"Wrestling is a very rough and intense sport. You have to work hard and be dedicated to be successful and only the strong survive."

—Hearth Francis, Junior

**The Wrestling
Nickname that
Suited me the best
was:**

"Terminator," answered 4 of the eight wrestlers surveyed.



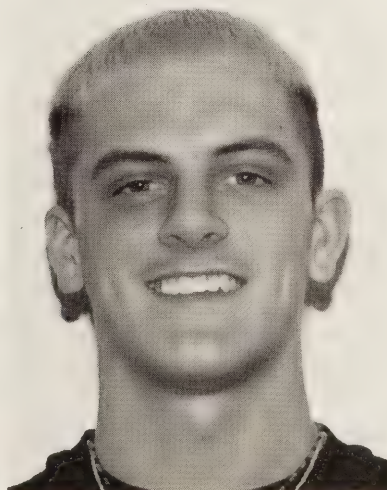
"Animal," said 2 others.

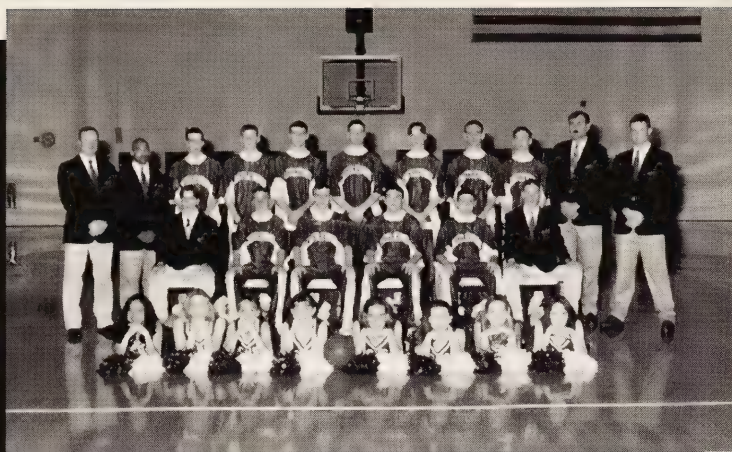


"Heartbreak Kid," responded another wrestler.



"Any name with 'burg' on the end," stated 1 more.





Boys' Basketball Team . . . FRONT ROW: Alesha Roberts, Traci Poole, Jessica Clevinger, Alishia Cox, Ashley Addington, Amanda Saddler, Courtney King, and Jessica Amburgey. MIDDLE ROW: Tim Boyd, Josh Riddle, Travis Nash, Adam Sargent, Jared Coffey, and Josh Amos. BACK ROW: Coach Randy Poole, Coach Maurice Hayes, Evan Hearl, Robert Frazier, Brandon Bush, Josh Bradley, James Kring, Travis Jessee, Grady Kring, Coach John Sabo, and Coach Marty Halloway.

Shooting for the Stars

The Basketball Team Reached New Heights

The boys in blue proved they were worthy of being state contenders with their non-stop, jaw-dropping style and skills. They took on some of the best teams in the state and did not back down.

Newspapers predicted them third in the district. With sweet string

music from behind the arc and aggressive hustle inside, they cut down forests of bigger and stronger opponents.

For the first time they entered the Coal Classic Tournament where they faced both the Lone-some Pine and Black Diamond Districts. After two heartbreaking losses, they finished strong with a victory.

Many assumed that losing nine Seniors would hurt the team, but it seemed to make them stronger. As Junior Robert Frazier said, *"We worked as a team and proved everyone who didn't believe in us wrong."*

At one point in the year, they won ten games in a row. By the

end of the season, they were on top of their district and had an automatic bid into the Regional Tournament.

The team shot for the stars until the very end, coming up short on accomplishing their main priority, to reach the State Tournament. Junior Josh Bradley replied, *"It was a great year, but it's too bad it's over."*

"We worked as a team and proved everyone who didn't believe in us wrong."
—Robert Frazier, Junior

TREEmendous stats!

Check Out the Top Highlights of the Season

- Coach Poole earned his 200th career coaching victory.
- The team won the Cumberland District Tournament for the second consecutive year.
- Junior Josh Bradley, Senior Adam Sargent, and Junior Robert Frazier made the All-Cumberland District 1st team.
- Junior Josh Bradley and Senior Adam Sargent were named Co-Players of the year in the Cumberland District and were selected to the All-Region D Basketball Team.
- Coach Poole was named Cumberland District Coach of the Year.

ScoreBOARD

Devils

Opponent

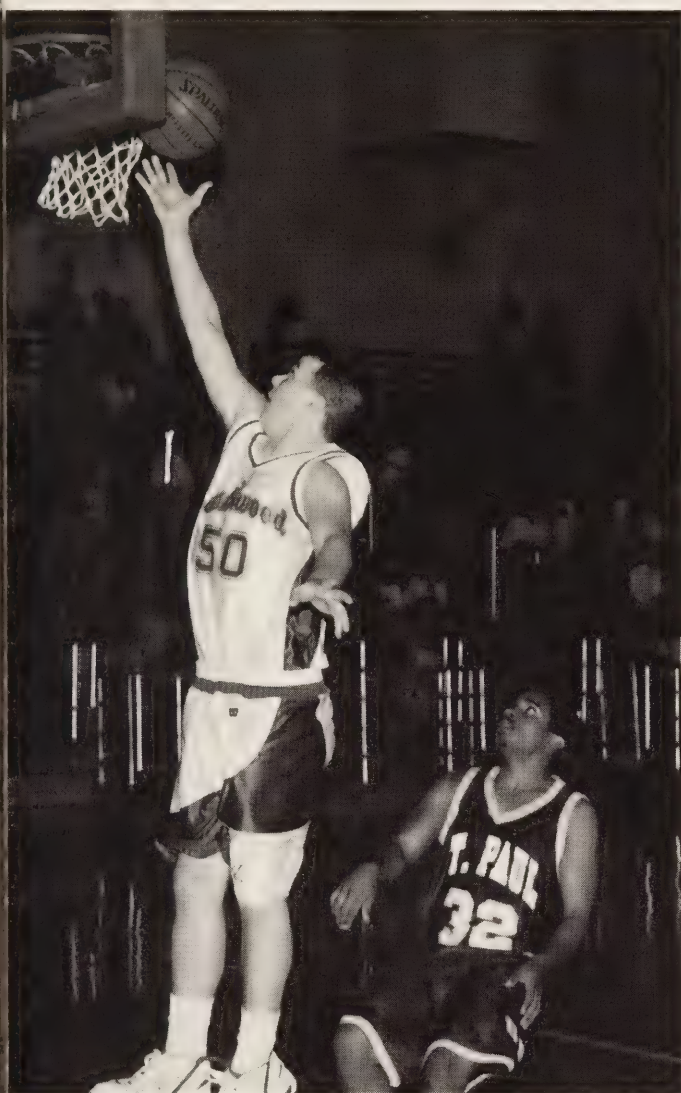
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51	Lebanon	85
73	Coeburn	60
63	Clintonwood	81
58	Hurley	72
70	Appalachia	62
52	Honaker	60
78	Ervinton	63
73	Coeburn	71
86	Holston	69
84	Rye Cove	64
64	Twin Springs	61
92	St. Paul	89
89	Lebanon	83
88	Thomas Walker	71
66	Ervinton	53
62	Honaker	68
72	Rye Cove	43
66	Twin Springs	68
81	St. Paul	67
86	Rye Cove	61
61	Twin Springs	72
59	Pound	65

This is how you do it . . .

Senior Travis Jessee patiently shows members of the Youth Basketball League a few fundamental skills during a Saturday practice in the new gym. The players coached, reffed, and ran the scoreboard during the league's Saturday games. This was a requirement that most members of the team enjoyed immensely.



Feet off the ground . . . Senior Adam Sargent, number 50, takes it to the goal for two points during the Homecoming Game against the St. Paul Deacons. It was an action-packed night as the team devastated the Deacons with an impressive score of 81 to 67.



J.V. Basketball Team . . .
FRONT ROW: Matt Brooks, Matt Justice, Marcus Sizemore, and Eric Glover. **BACK ROW:** Derick Phillips, Ray Mullins, Ricky Gibson, James Castle, Coach Marty Holloway, Coach John Sabo, William Fields, Heath Fields, Chris Light, and Daven Phillips.

Young Guns The J.V. Basketball Team Was On Fire

The Junior Varsity Team had to make adjustments to their new experience. As Sophomore

Matt Justice said, *"Even though we lost a lot of people to Varsity, I still feel like we worked hard and had a great season."* The

"It was a great season, and I had a really great time playing."
—William Fields,
Sophomore

team had to learn to work together since most of them had never played together before.

Using excellent defensive skills, the team fought their way through the season. Unfortunately, they came up short in the

playoffs by losing some key games.

However, they still had a successful season, and as So-

phomore William Fields stated,

"It was a great year and I had a really great time playing."

SCOREBOARD

J. V. Devils

J. V. Opponent

40	Holston	39
28	Lebanon	49
59	Coeburn	33
39	Honaker	41
56	Ervinton	18
53	Coeburn	51
44	Holston	39
28	Rye Cove	30
36	Twin Springs	35
37	St. Paul	40
32	Lebanon	49
38	Thomas Walker	53
47	Ervinton	15
46	Honaker	51
28	Rye Cove	33
34	Twin Springs	36
43	St. Paul	40
37	Thomas Walker	39



Pep talk . . . Coach Sabo gives guidance to the team during the home game against Thomas Walker. It was a close game, with a score of 39 to 37.

J.V. Basketball Cheerleaders . . .

FRONT ROW:

Whitney Phillips,

MIDDLE ROW:

Nikki Blanton, and

Kim Buckley,

BACK ROW:

Captain Sheena Austin,

Trista Hicks, and

Asha Patrick.



Going Out on a Limb

The J.V. Cheerleaders Learned the Meaning of Teamwork

From the first day of practice, the J.V. Cheerleading Squad realized that cheerleading was more difficult than it seemed. However,

they quickly learned the ropes! Freshman Nicole Baker said,

"Cheerleading

taught me to depend on others and to be dependable, as well."

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—Nicole Baker,
Freshman

Throughout the season, the J.V. Cheerleaders made friends, gained confidence, and discovered the true fun-

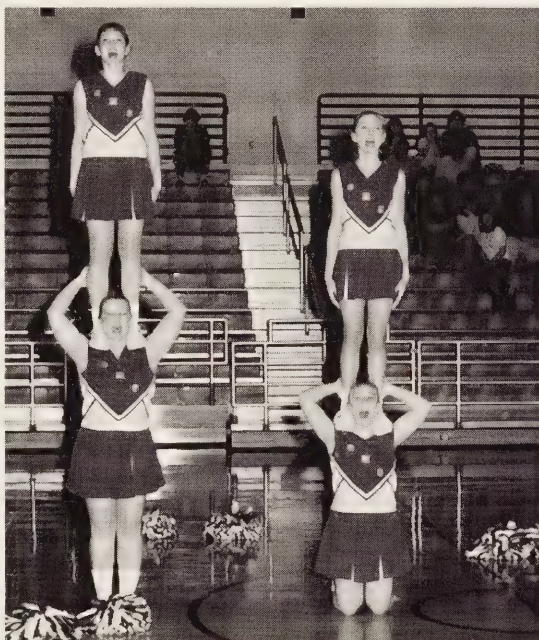
damentals of two sports at once. As Eighth Grader Trista Hicks said,

"I learned more than just the basics

of cheerleading this year. I learned that teamwork is everything!"

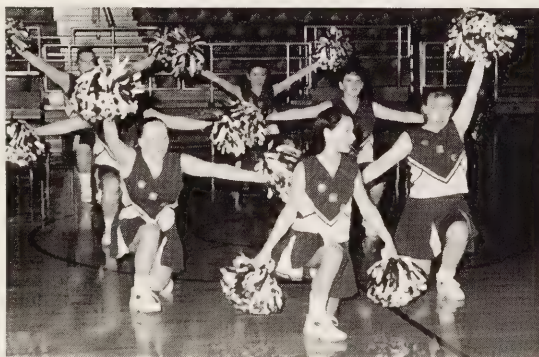
Go straight to the top!

Freshmen Nicole Baker and Sheena Austin show off their strength during the St. Paul game by holding Eighth Grader Trista Hicks and Freshman Whitney Phillips. The squad learned early that agility and power were vital requirements.

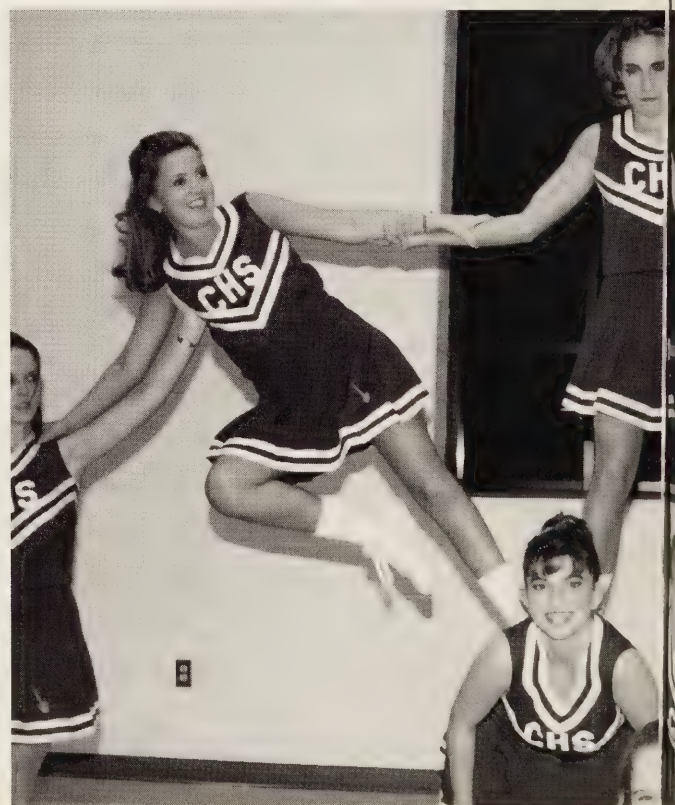


Getting it together

The J.V. Cheerleaders try out a cheer during the Homecoming Game. The girls had to constantly make sure they were all in unison.



Secret hideaway . . . Freshman Traci Poole seems to be falling asleep as she hangs out in Mrs. Miotke's science storage room. One could often find a stray cheerleader or two stowed away amongst the cheerleading megaphones and chemical compounds. This was a place the squad could steal a few minutes to work on signs and other decorations for the hallways and the gym.

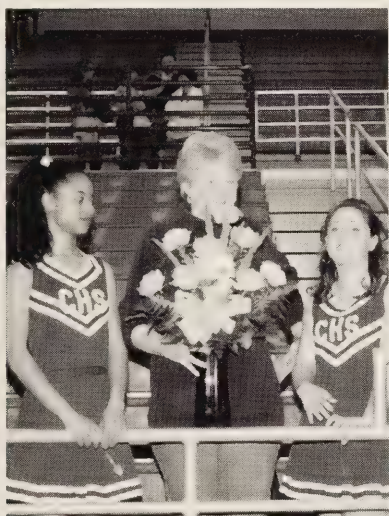




TREEmendous stuff!

Check Out the Top Highlights of the Season

- The squad flawlessly performed their dance routine "Raise the Roof" at the Regional Tournament.
- They had the privilege of being coached by Mrs. Linda Miotke in her announced last year of being Varsity Cheerleading Coach.
- They served as hostesses at the Regional Tournament and were interviewed by local radio and t.v. stations.
- They purchased new pom-poms which they were allowed to keep even after the season.
- Former squad member, graduate, and current Cumberland College Cheerleader, Heather Kenyon, helped teach new stunts and cheers to the girls during Christmas Break.



I'll miss you . . . Senior Amanda Saddler presents her coach, Mrs. Miotke, with a bouquet of flowers on Senior Night. Mrs. Miotke commented, "The girls were great and I shall always remember them as really good athletes. After all — cheerleading is a sport!"

Monkey business

. . . Freshman Courtney King, Junior Ashley Addington, and Senior Alesha Roberts hang on for dear life as Freshmen Alishia Cox and Jessica Clevinger hold them up as the squad practices a stunt in the new gym foyer at halftime of the Twin Springs game.



Varsity Basketball Cheerleaders . . . FRONT ROW: Captain Amanda Saddler, MIDDLE ROW: Alishia Cox, Ashley Addington, and Courtney King, BACK ROW: Jessica Amburgey, Traci Poole, Co-Captain Alesha Roberts, and Jessica Clevinger.

T ree Climber

The Varsity Cheerleaders
Surpassed All Obstacles
and Climbed Their Way
To the Top

Climbing, jumping, flipping, — these may sound like things a bunch of monkeys would do, but actually they were things the Varsity Basketball Cheerleading Squad did all of the time! They were always full of energy, which came in handy when performing stunts!

Of course they also cheered on the team and tried to get the crowd on their feet at each game. But, their duties as cheerleaders went a lot deeper than that. It was up to them to represent school spirit and pride. And they represented it well, receiving compliments everywhere they went. They aimed to be the best, letting nothing stand in their way.

By the end of the season, the squad had not only fulfilled their goals of showing school spirit, they had formed a friendship that would last a lifetime. After the last game there wasn't a dry face amongst them. "We had a

great season, but it won't be the same without Mrs. Miotke next year," said Freshman Courtney King.

Junior Ashley Addington added, "It was a great year, but we are going to miss Alesha and Amanda."

They laughed, they cried. They could have been the next Hollywood starlets, but they weren't actresses. They were just a group of cheerleaders that climbed their way to the top of an unforgettable season.

"We had a great season, but it won't be the same without Mrs. Miotke next year."
—Courtney King, Freshman

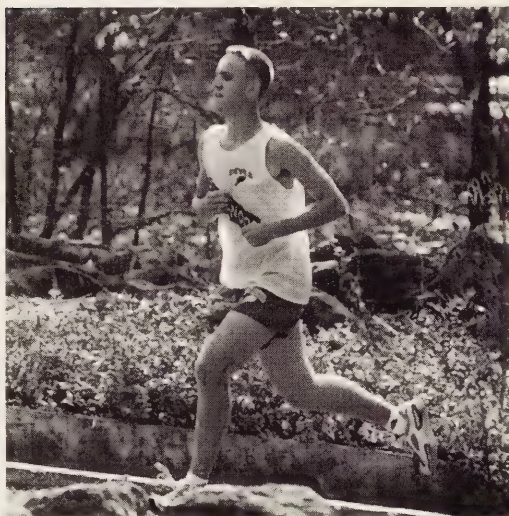


TREEmendous stats!

Check Out the Top Highlights of the Season

- The team participated in 3 invitational meets.
- A new school record was set by Michael Cozzolino with a time of 17:00 minutes.
- The team had a second place district finish.
- The team had a third place regional finish.
- It was the third year for state qualification.

Almost there . . . Senior Travis Jessee picks up the pace as he prepares to finish the course at Oxbow Lake. The team finished second out of seven teams at the meet.



Catch me if you can . . . Sophomore Michael Cozzolino works on breaking his own school record against his Thomas Walker competitors at Oxbow Lake. The team finished second, and Michael had a time of 17:00 which broke his old record of 17:14.



ScoreBOARD

Date

Final Placemnt

Sept. 9	St. Paul	3rd out of 7
Sept. 16	Wise	3rd out of 6
Sept. 19	Marion	12th out of 20
Sept. 26	Bristol	Incomplete score
Sept. 30	Powell Valley	4th out of 6
Oct. 7	Wise	4th out of 8
Oct. 14	St. Paul	2nd out of 7
Oct. 22	Sugar Hollow	Incomplete score
Oct. 31	District	2nd
Nov. 7	Regional	3rd
Nov. 14	State	15th



Cross Country Team . . . **FRONT ROW:** Eric Glover, Greta Jessee, Ashley Addington, and Matthew Brooks. **MIDDLE ROW:** Coach Larry Shortt, David Hileman, Michael Cozzolino, David Crabtree, Justin Worley, Marcus Sizemore, Drew Meade, and Jason Castle. **BACK ROW:** Josh Kite, Tanner Dotson, Travis Jessee, Robert Frazier, Travis Nash, Brandon Bush, Brandon Willis, and Evan Hearl.



Clearing the Path to Victory

Cross Country Team Had a Victorious Season



Running, running, and more running — with all the running that the Girls' and Boys' Cross Country Teams did, you would have thought they were running for their lives! They traveled to meets all over the area taking their trusty running shoes with them. As Sophomore Eric Glover said, "Cross Country was fun 'cause we got to run around lots of different places."

Competing in meets may have been fun, but practicing was often a gruelling task. The team started training weeks before school started. The weather was often less than perfect, but the team hit the pavement anyway.

Every day after school, the team could be seen jogging around school grounds. All totaled, the members of the team ran hundreds of laps around the parking lot and baseball field.

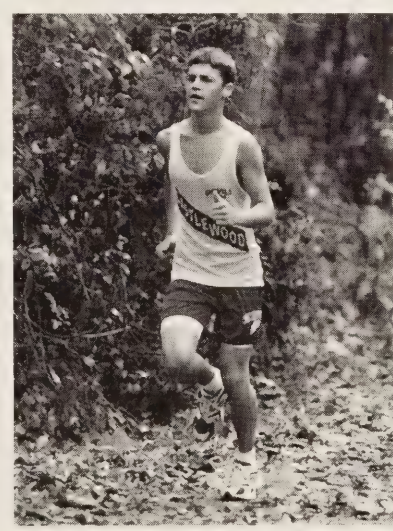
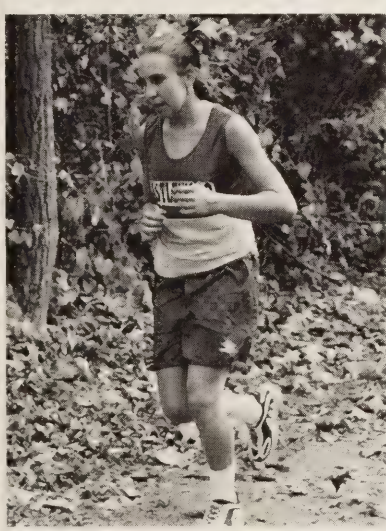
All the practicing really paid off. At the Cumberland District Meet, which was held at Oxbow Lake in St. Paul, the team finished as runners-up. This finish really compelled them to condition even more to prepare themselves for the regional meet also held at Oxbow Lake.

The team came in third place at regionals which qualified them to run at the state meet for the third consecutive year. They ran extremely well at Great Meadows finishing in fifteenth place.

This was a satisfying end to one of the best cross country seasons ever.

"I like Cross Country because it's the best sport in the world!"
—Evan Hearl, Junior

They practiced on their own time too, sometimes getting up at sunrise to run before school. It was all for the love of the sport. As Junior Evan Hearl said, "I like Cross Country because it's the best sport in the world!"



"I love cross country! It really helped get me in shape for the other sports I participate in throughout the year."

—Ashley Addington, Junior

"Cross country was very fun this year. We worked very hard, but had fun doing it also."

—Justin Worley, Junior

If I could change something about cross country, I would:



"Take shortcuts," admitted 8 members of the cross country team.



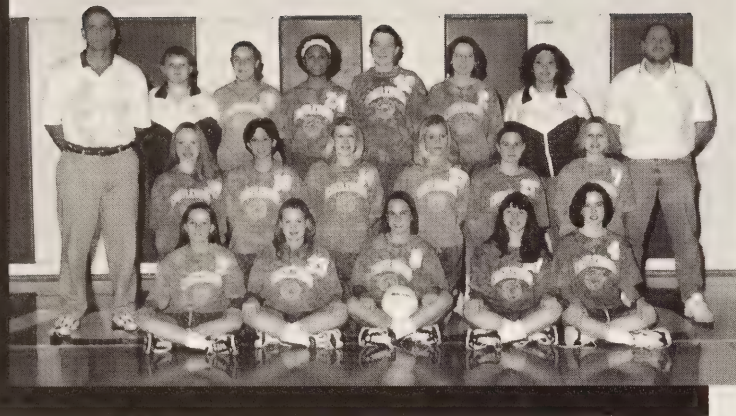
"Make the course shorter," responded 6 others.



"Change it into an Ironman Competition," answered 3 members.



"Walk instead of run," said the remaining 2.



Varsity Volleyball Team . . . **FRONT ROW:** Stephanie Mullins, Veronica Mays, Natasha Fields, Amber Phillips, and Brianne Casteel. **BACK ROW:** Coach Tom Allen, Greta Jessee, Shonna Glover, Rebecca Milgrim, and Coach Mike Roberson.

Setting High Goal

Varsity Players Left Their Competition in the Dust

The Varsity Girls' Volleyball Team had their names in lights. For the first time in thirteen years, the girls made it all the way to the State Competition. The road to State was not easy, but the team stopped at nothing and defeated every opponent they faced in tournaments.

The girls took a heartbreaking loss in Stanton, but spirits were still high and they knew they did well. Senior Veronica Mays said, "Even though we did not achieve the one goal we worked all year for, we had a great year and I will miss all my friends."

"It was a great feeling being a Senior and leading our team to be known as one of the best four teams in our state."

—Crystal Smith, Senior

Knowing they did well just to make it to State Competition, Senior Crystal Smith said, "It was a great feeling being a Senior and leading our team to be known as one of the best four teams in our state." This accomplishment

brought a lot of pride to themselves, their coaches, and their school.

Coach Allen said, "We had a very good year, teamwise. All of our Seniors provided good leadership, and our juniors came off the bench and did an excellent job." Their great year ended with a 23-3 record, a Region Champ title, and a win in the State Semifinals!

TREmendous stats!

Check Out the Top Highlights of the Season

- The girls defeated competitor Rye Cove in the Cumberland District Tournament after being beaten by them twice in the regular season.
- All six starters were named to the All-Cumberland District Team.
- The team advanced to the State Semi-Finals in Stanton.
- Coach Allen and Coach Roberson were named Coaches of the Year.
- Seniors Brianne Casteel and Natasha Fields were named to the All-State Team.

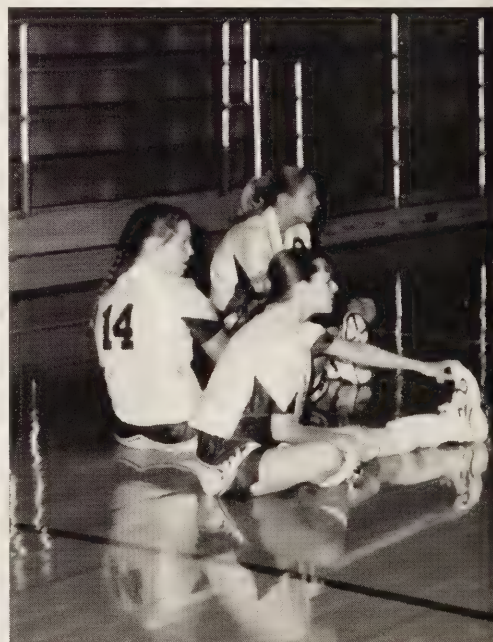
ScoreBOARD

Devils Opponent

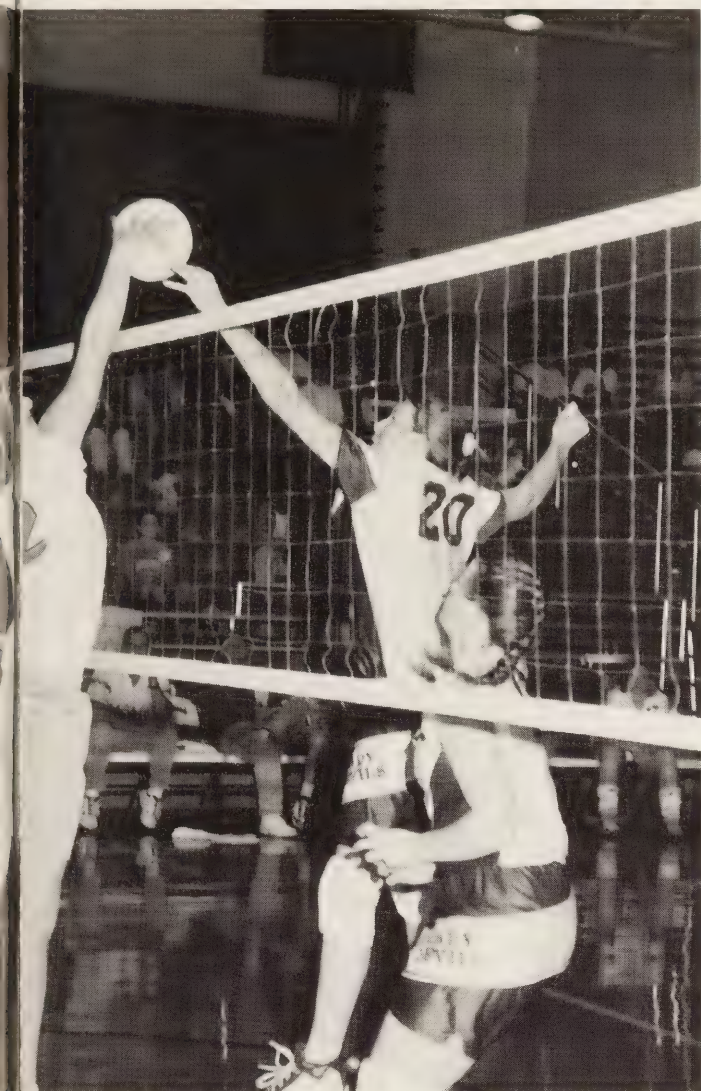
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15,15	Honaker	4,6
13,15,15	Powell Valley	15,5,9
15,15	Haysi	10,2
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15,9,15	Northwood	10,15,11
15,15	Powell Valley	6,2
15,15	Honaker	3,6
15,6	Rye Cove	17,15
15,15 15,15	Thomas Walker (DH)	2,2 6,3
15,15	Cocburn	1,4
15,15	Twin Springs	6,6
16,15	Powell Valley	14,8
15,15	Lebanon	9,10
15,15	Gate City	8,8
2,15,6	Rye Cove	15,4,15
15,15	Lebanon	3,8
15,17	Twin Springs	4,15
15,15	Twin Springs	4,6
15,15	Rye Cove	12,7
15,15	Clintwood	1,4
15,4,15	Haysi	2,15,2
16,15	Rye Cove	14,11
15,15	Glenvar	7,1
9,8	Wilson Memorial	15,15

R-E-A-C-H

The Varsity Volleyball Team warms up together on the gym floor before a match against Powell Valley at home. Limbering up, as well as other exercises, were important steps before a big game. The stretching paid off for the Volleyball Team as the ladies ultimately defeated their opponent in 2 out of 3 games.



In your face! . . . Senior Natasha Fields, number 20, goes up against a Powell Valley Viking for a block during a home game. Even though the ladies lost the preliminary game, they succeeded with a final win over their opponent with scores of 13-15, 15-5, and 15-9.



J.V. Volleyball Team . . .
FRONT ROW: Pamela Gordon, Alicia King, Krista Honaker, Melissa Hensley, and Audrea Sanders **MIDDLE ROW:** Stevi Willis, Louise Gibson, Amy Puckett, Jacklyn Byerly, Summer Chafin, and Melissa Boyd **BACK ROW:** Coach Tom Allen, Lauren Wallace, Jennifer Puckett, Jessica Cain, Traci Long, Monica Milgrim, Rebecca Milgrim, and Coach Mike Roberson.

Getting Their Spikes JV Volleyball Team Surprised Everyone With Their Success

The Junior Varsity Volleyball Team had a season to remember. They ended their tremendous season with a record of 12 and 2.

The team obviously understood what it took to make a winning team, and according to Freshman Audrea Sanders, "Volleyball is a great sport and it takes a lot talent and coordination."

Sophomore Jessica Cain joked, "Since this was my last year as a J.V. player it was special to me. I will miss Coach Roberson yelling at me!"

"I give volleyball two thumbs!"
 —Jennifer Puckett,
 Freshman

Freshman Jennifer Puckett, on the other hand, rated her volleyball experience and said, "I give volleyball two thumbs . . . up, we hope!"

SCOREBOARD

J. V. Devils

J. V. Opponent

15,15	Gate City	4,7
15,15	Honaker	4,13
15,15	Powell Valley	1,6
15,13,15	Honaker	12,15,7
3,3	Rye Cove	15,15
15,15 15,15	Thomas Walker (DH)	1,7 9,0
15,15	Coeburn	2,4
15,15	Twin Springs	8,5
15,15	Powell Valley	1,3
15,15	Lebanon	10,9
15,15	Gate City	6,10
13,5	Rye Cove	15,15
15,15	Lebanon	2,4
6,15,6	Twin Springs	15,6,15



Jump! . . . Sophomore Traci Long jumps for the block against The Gate City Blue Devils. The team blocked and spiked their way to a win with scores of 15-6 and 15-10.

J.V. Golf Team . . .

Alicia King,

Megan Campbell,

Tracy Evans, and

Cody Cress.



Far from Civilization

J.V. Members Found Golf to be a "Hoot!"

As the youngest of the golf set, the J.V. Team struck out on a quest to just have fun. Consisting of three girls and just one boy, they got out on the green and strutted their stuff.

"It was fun playing on a team with a bunch of girls!," laughed Eighth Grader Cody Cress.

"It was fun playing on a team with a bunch of girls!"

—Cody Cress, Eighth Grader

Golf was not considered a "guy's sport," but it was a little strange to see the girls outnumber the boys. "I love to play golf, but it's not my favorite sport," said Eighth Grader Alicia King. The team seemed to find the situation a hoot, and enjoyed just "putting around."

SCOREBOARD

J. V. Tournament Final Placement

Dan Hall 6 out of 6

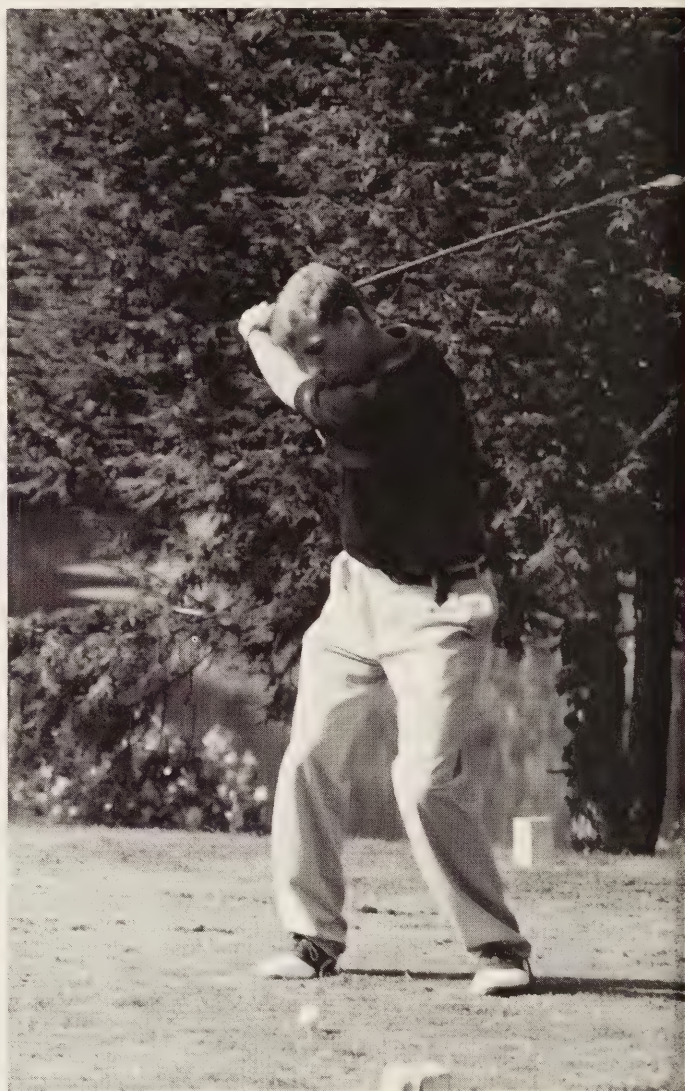
Lake Bonaventure 2 out of 2

Tee time

. . . Freshman Grady Kring takes a moment to clear his head and focus on his game before teeing off at the seventh tournament held at Lake Bonaventure. Golf involved as much mental thought and patience as it required physical ability.



The swing of a skilled golfer . . . Junior Robert Frazier confidently takes his turn at the tee during the Cumberland District Tournament which the team won for the third year in a row. Golfers could also be seen working on their swing at the town driving range which the team members operated as part of their membership.



Fore! . . . Sophomore Jes Stacy, Senior Travis Jessee, and Junior Travis Nash practice on the football field, as Sophomore Mark Dye gives up for the day. The team enjoyed competing with each other to see who could hit the farthest. Of course, each person always thought he won.

TRÉÉmendous Stats!

Check Out the Top Highlights of the Season

— The Varsity Golf Team defeated Abingdon High School, Lee High School, and Lebanon High School in one match during a game hosted at Lake Bonaventure.

— Juniors Evan Hearl and Chad Fields qualified for the State Tournament.

— The golf team won the Cumberland District Tournament for the third consecutive year.

— Evan Hearl was named to the All-Region D Team.

— Jes Stacy, Evan Hearl, and Grady Kring achieved the All-District status.



Varsity Golf Team . . . FRONT ROW: Jonathan Amos, Chad Fields, Mark Dye, Jes Stacy, Cody Cress, and Coach Morley Jones. BACK ROW: Evan Hearl, Robert Frazier, Travis Jessee, Grady Kring, and Travis Nash.

ScoreBOARD

Tournament Final Placement

Cedar Hill	August 24	3 out of 5
Saltville	August 25	2 out of 4
Lake Bonaventure	August 31	1 out of 6
Lake Bonaventure	September 3	1 out of 4
Dan Hall	September 8	3 out of 4
Lake Bonaventure	September 14	1 out of 3
Lake Bonaventure	September 17	3 out of 4
Lake Bonaventure	September 24	1 out of 4
Lake Bonaventure	September 28	1 out of 3
Scott County	October 1	2 out of 2
Lake Bonaventure	October 5	1 out of 3
Lake Bonaventure	October 12	3 out of 7



Whoever said golf was a sport for old men was sadly mistaken. A day on the green seemed to mean a lot to the teenage varsity golf team. Many of the golfers had their first experiences with golf years earlier in their backyards with a set of plastic Fisher Price golf clubs. So you could say they were seasoned pros — well . . . almost.

Although many of the members of the team also participated in other sports in which winning was the main goal, the Golf Team seemed to care more about just having a good time. Even so, it was also nice being the Cumberland District Champs.

Whether the course was Lake Bonaventure or Dan Hall Mountain Resort, the team enjoyed every turn at the tee. Each golf match was spent swinging a golf club and sending the ball into the wild blue yonder, or sometimes just two inches away.

Of course, the reasons these golfers took to the green varied. Junior Travis Nash joked, "Golf was great because it got me out of Cross Country practice!" Junior Robert Frazier added, "Golf gets me out of class a lot." Despite these responses, the golf team showed their true feelings about the sport by dedicating their time to a game they fell in love with years before.

"Golf was great because it got me out of Cross Country practice!"
—Travis Nash,
Junior

Keep your eye on the ball . . . Junior Travis Nash hits the ball in hopes that it will be a good shot during the Cumberland District Tournament at Lake Bonaventure. The team placed first out of three other teams in the district.



TRREmendous stats!

Check Out the Top Highlights of the Season

- John Sabo was named Coach of Year for the Cumberland District.
- The team won its 14th District Championship.
- They enjoyed the honor of their fifth straight appearance at Regionals.
- Natasha Fields made the Virginia High School League All-Star Team, which was played in Hampton, Virginia.
- The team ended up with an eight-game winning streak and improved with each competition.

Varsity Softball Team . . . FRONT ROW: Fleisha Shortridge, Brianne Casteel, Amber Phillips, and Natasha Fields. MIDDLE ROW: Alishia Cox, Kayla Buckles, Jessica Clevinger, McKinsey Huff, and Cindy Bradley. BACK ROW: Amanda Taylor, Traci Long, Traci Poole, Jessica Hogg, Greta Jessee, and Heidi Bartee.

Round Out The Softball Team Took Down The Competition

Astounding! Remarkable! Sensational! . . . These are only a few words used to describe the girls in blue and white, who just so happened to make up the Varsity Softball Team. The season consisted of gradual improvement with each practice and game, and finally a wal-

loping series of victories near and in the end! So, how did it feel to be a part of such a successful, victorious team? "It feels pretty good to be a member of the Varsity, and I'm gonna miss it," said Senior Fleisha Shortridge. All of the players felt enthused to be a part of a victorious team.

"It feels pretty good to be a member of the Varsity, and I'm gonna miss it."

—Fleisha Shortridge,
Senior

With all their gear set — cleats, helmets, bats and balls—the girls took the softball world by storm with their outstanding skills and constant effort. Just one look at the score-

board and highlights definitely said it all! When discussing the girls' success, Coach John Sabo proudly explained, "It started out slow the first ten ball-games, but we worked extra hard daily to be one of the top five ball teams in Southwest Virginia." All that work obviously paid off as the team became the fourteenth consecutive Softball District Champions!

ScoreBOARD

Devils

Opponent

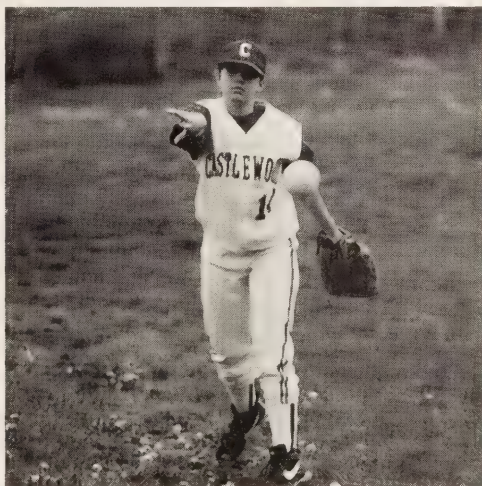
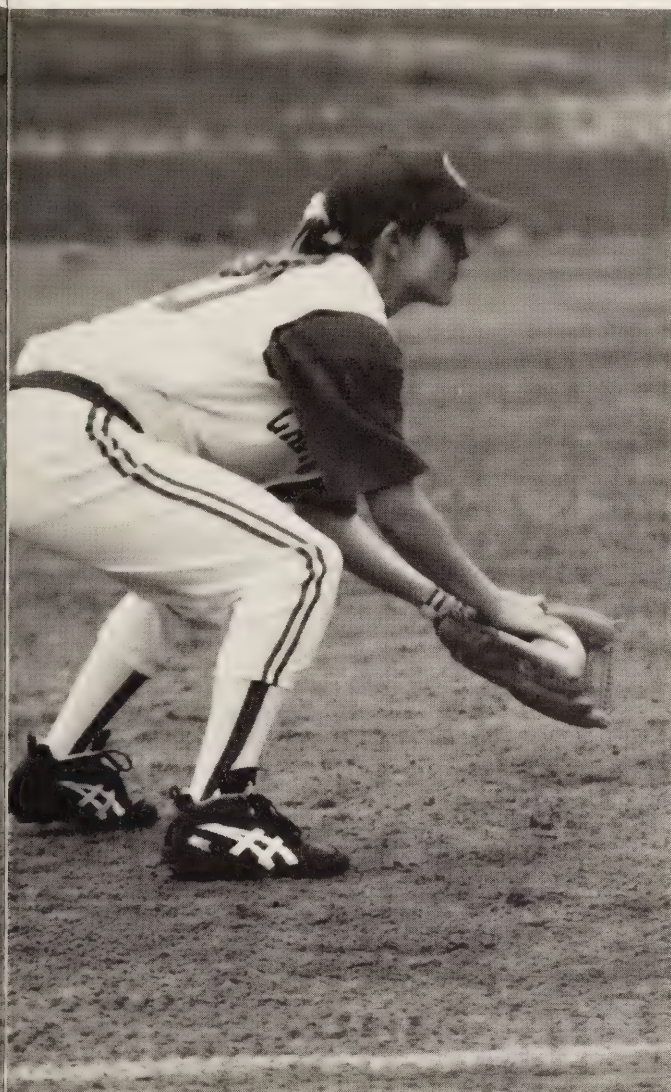
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8	Honaker	1
9	Coeburn	5
2	Patrick Henry	3
9	St. Paul	3
21	Twin Springs	0
8	Rye Cove	1
10	Holston	0
14	Haysi (Tournament)	1
0	Tazewell (Tournament)	6
2	Grayson County (Tournament)	1
2	Tazewell (Tournament)	3
6	St. Paul	4
1	Lebanon	0
17	Ervinton	0
16	Rye Cove	1
1	Patrick Henry	6

Warm up

... Sophomore catcher Amanda Taylor leaves home plate after catching a few practice pitches before a big game against rival team the St. Paul Deacons. The ladies ended the game with a 6-4 victory over the Deacons.



Use two hands . . . Senior third baseman Amber Phillips concentrates on catching a well hit ground ball from a St. Paul Deacon. The team worked on catching grounders as well as fly balls and line drives during practice. This obviously came in handy as the ladies defeated the Deacons by two runs.



Getting ready . . . Freshman pitcher/second baseman Kayla Buckles practices before the game begins against the St. Paul Lady Deacons. Pitchers could be found winding up off the mound to prepare both physically and mentally for the upcoming game.



J.V. Softball Team . . .
FRONT ROW: Heather White, Trista Hicks, Asha Patrick, Candace Justice, Krista Honaker, and Alicia King. BACK ROW: Sheena Hale, Summer Chafin, Tracey Evans, Jaclyn Byerley, Damara Fields, and Stevi Willis.

Rookie Swingers

J.V. Softball Team Was Full of Enthusiasm

The J.V. Softball Team really made a game out of being the rookie swingers. When the going went rough, these girls made it a point not to let anything get them down. "We had a good group of girls and a fun year!" replied Eighth Grader Stevi Willis. Some felt that they could have always done better; but, they enjoyed it all just the same. "We had a good team, but if we had more practice we would have been more successful. But, we had a fun time!" explained Eighth Grader Alicia King.

"We had a good group of girls and a fun year!"
—Stevi Willis,
Eighth Grader

SCOREBOARD

J. V. Devils

J. V. Opponent

6	Gate City	11
6	Lebanon	10
5	Honaker	13
4	Honaker	3
6	Honaker	5
3	Honaker	5
11	St. Paul	5
4	St. Paul	5
7	St. Paul	5
3	Rye Cove	8
7	Rye Cove	4
6	Rye Cove	9



Be ready on first base . . . Eighth Grade Pitcher Summer Chafin throws the runner out in the game against St. Paul. The J.V. lost the close game, 4-5.

J.V. Baseball Team . . .

FRONT ROW: Eric Ervin, Mark Dye, Chris Light, Matt Brooks, and Eric Glover. **BACK**

ROW: Jessica Bradley, Coach Barry Ruff, Grady Kring, William Fields, Jamie Castle, Daven Phillips, and Rebecca Milgrim.



headed In the Right Direction The J.V. Baseball Team Learned From the Pros

What's the only way to get ready for Varsity Baseball? Join the J.V. Team! *"The J.V. was successful in limited play due to the lack of a J.V. Baseball Coach. They proved to be hard workers even though they had to practice with the Varsity,"* said Coach Glass.

Due to the situation, Coach Glass took over the J.V. Team to sharpen their skills. Freshman Player Jamie Castle's opinion on the situation was, *"I feel like I did the best that I could this season, but I will try harder next season."* The team was pleased with its performance.

"I feel like I did the best that I could this season, but I will try harder next season."
—Jamie Castle, Freshman

SCOREBOARD

J. V. Devils

J. V. Opponent

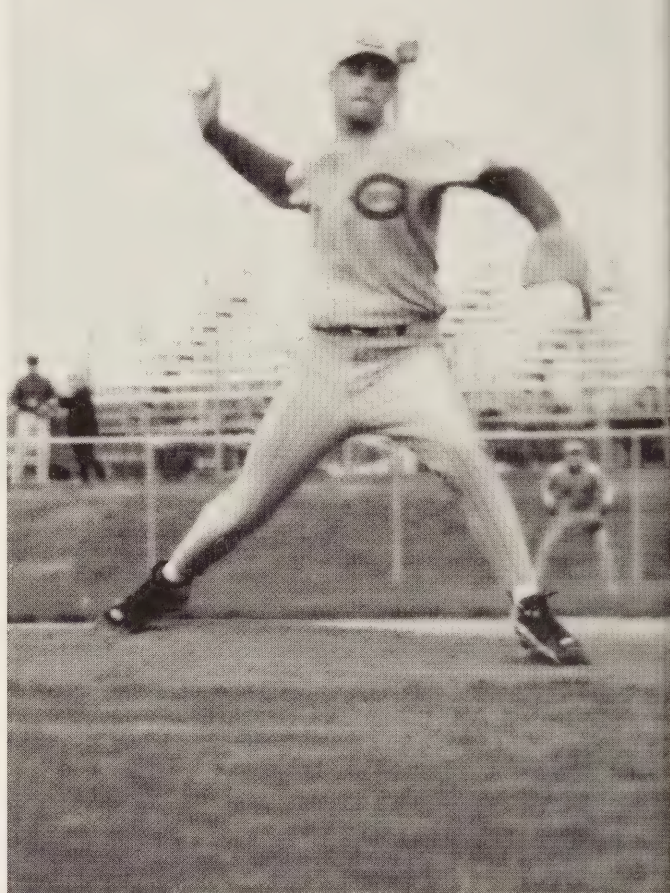
7	St. Paul	7
13	J.I. Burton	1
7	J.I. Burton	8
15	Lebanon	7
8	Twin Springs	7
7	Twin Springs	6
7	Twin Springs	6

Heads up

. . . Sophomore Matt Dye gets ready to throw a ball to his partner during practice. All baseball players were required to throw and loosen up.

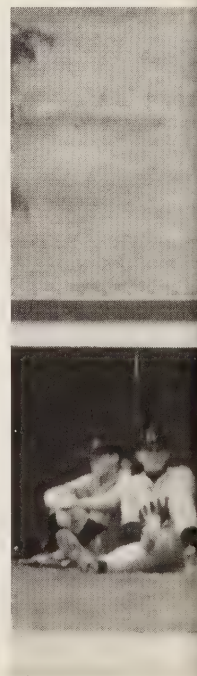


Winding up . . . Junior Brandon Bush gets ready to throw a pitch to a batter at a home game against Honaker. All of the players tried their best; but, unfortunately, the game was lost with a score of 21 to 1. The players went home, gained back their confidence, and won the next game with an impressive score of 20-5 against Ervinton.



Ready and waiting . . . Senior Adam Sargent, Freshman Chris Light, and Senior Josh Kite throw to warm up during a practice after school.

Hit Me One . . . Junior Josh Bradley gets ready to catch a grounder in a ballgame at home against Honaker.





TREEmendous stats!

Check Out the Top Highlights of the Season

- The Boys placed second in District Competition.
- They qualified for the Regional Tournament with only three returning starters.
- They had a five-game winning streak at the end of the season, including those at the District Tournament.
- The team had five players to make All-District: Tyrone House, Jason Castle, Josh Bradley, Adam Sargent, and Charlie Osborne.
- Senior Tyrone House was named All-Regional Designated Hitter.

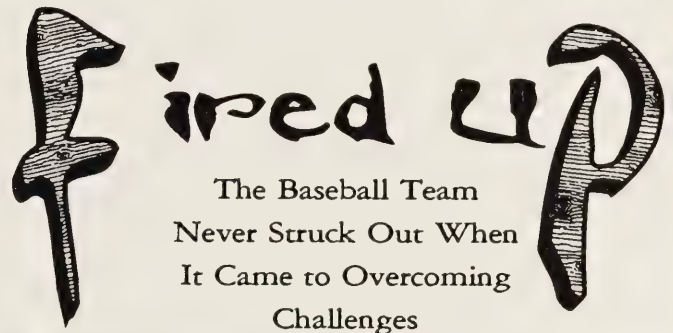


Varsity Baseball Team . . . FRONT ROW: Justin Worley, Eric Glover, Derick Phillips, Tyrone House, Josh Riddle, and Matt Brooks. MIDDLE ROW: Eric Ervin, Mark Dye, Josh Kite, Adam Sargent, Chris Light, and Charlie Osborne. BACK ROW: Jessica Bradley, Coach Barry Ruff, Grady Kring, William Fields, Brandon Bush, Josh Bradley, Jason Castle, and Rebecca Milgrim.

ScoreBOARD

Devils Opponent

6	Honaker	7
6	Lebanon	12
6	J.I. Burton	2
13	Thomas Walker	2
17	Twin Springs	4
5	St. Paul	12
1	Honaker	21
20	Ervinton	5
6	Lebanon	9
8	Rye Cove	2
1	St. Paul	2
14	Twin Springs	3
16	Ervinton	1
15	Thomas Walker	9
12	Rye Cove	9
10	Thomas Walker	0
4	St. Paul	5
17	Coeburn	6



The Baseball Team
Never Struck Out When
It Came to Overcoming
Challenges

BATTER UP! The Varsity Baseball Team never struck out when it came to living it up while making themselves and their hard-working Coach, Dan Glass, proud. The season started out slowly at first, but the team cracked down and showed their opponents exactly what they were made of with each challenging game.

Each game brought a whole new meaning to learning how to play tough. The players explored new opportunities in overcoming the other team with a little elbow grease and a lot of work.

There were a lot of Seniors on the team, who were in their last year of sports and contemplating this fact. *"This was my favorite year of all the years I've played!"* exclaimed Senior Josh Kite.

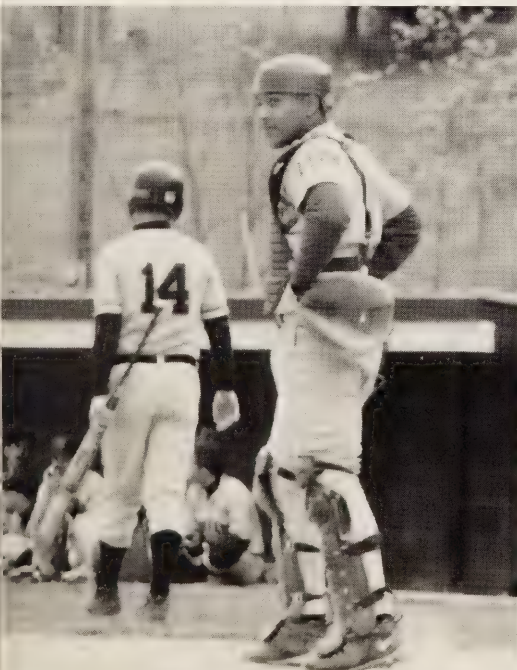
Indeed, with each new stone they overturned, they realized that this would be it: the final game, the last in-

"This was my favorite year of all the years I've played!"

—Josh Kite, Senior

ning to enjoy the trails they cleared. Senior Adam Sargent concluded, *"Since this was my last year, it had to be the best; but all of my years at Castlewood High School were great, and I will really miss it."*

Next please . . . Senior Tyrone House gives a sly grin after a batter from Honaker gets struck out during a home game. The team battled hard, and despite their efforts and pitching abilities, they lost the game.



TREEmendous Stats!

Check Out the Top Highlights of the Season

—The Boys' Track Team won the Cumberland District Competition.

—Sophomore Michael Cozzolino, who ran his personal best in the 1600 (meters), also won the 3200 (meters) at the Southwest Insurance Relay, held at Powell Valley.

—Sophomores Jessica Cain, Michael Cozzolino, Ray Mullins, and James Kring, as well as Senior Travis Jessee, all qualified for State Competition.

—Sophomore James Kring placed 7th in the high jump event at State.

In a flash . . . Junior Josh Riddle races for the finish line in the 100 meter sprint during a meet at John Battle. Getting a quick start was crucial when competing in sprint events. The team placed 5th out of 6 teams at the meet.



Practice what you preach . . .

Junior Jessica Cain and Senior Stephanie Mullins run down the sidewalk in front of the school building to prepare themselves for the upcoming track meet.



ScoreBOARD

Boys

Girls

2nd out of 18	Pound	17th out of 18
5th out of 6	John Battle	5th out of 6
5th out of 7	Patrick Henry	N/A
3rd out of 7	Pound	6th out of 7
4th out of 18	NPI Relays (Pound)	17th out of 18
3rd out of 16	Chilhowie	15th out of 16
7th out of 12	Southwest Insurance Relays (Powell Valley)	N/A
1st out of 3	Lee High	2nd out of 3
4th out of 11	Dogwood Relays (Garden)	N/A
1st out of 6	Cumberland Districts	4th out of 6
4th out of 15	Region D	10th out of 15



Varsity Track Team . . . **FRONT ROW:** Ashley Jessee, Candace Justice, Tara Carpenter, Ashley Addington, Valerie Jessee, Stephanie Mullins, Jennifer White, and Megan Campbell. **SECOND ROW:** Jaclyn Byerley, Jonathan Cozzolino, David Hileman, Jared Coffey, Heath Francis, Michael Cozzolino, Wesley Hall, Charlie Selfe, Traci Poole, and Jessica Cain. **THIRD ROW:** Shane Kenyon, Eric Ervin, Chase King, Jes Stacy, Chad Smith, Justin Worley, Ray Mullins, and David Crabtree. **BACK ROW:** Jarred Glass, Evan Hearl, Tanner Dotson, James Kring, Daniel Johnson, Travis Jessee, Brandon Willis, Travis Nash, and Chase Porter.

faster than a Speeding Bullet!

Track Was a Blur of Sprints and Jumps



On your mark, get set, GO! The track runners made running, high jumping, and other athletic techniques look like a breeze. When they took off at the starting line, bystanders never knew just when they would stop! However, every time they were pumped up for a run, it would rain. Junior Justin Worley said it himself with the comment, *"The only bad thing about Track was that it was cold and rainy every meet."*

Despite this dilemma, the Track Team, guided by Coach Larry Shortt, held out and remained patient, making the most out of every meet.

So what were some of the benefits of being a track runner? *"I thought it was fun, and it helped me out a lot in school, like Phys. Ed.,"* replied Freshman Ashley Jessee.

"I thought it was fun, and it helped me out a lot in school, like Phys. Ed."

—Ashley Jessee, Freshman

Track was a sport that required great stamina, skill, and basic athletic know-how, which further prepared students for such things as the mile and v-sit-and-reach in Physical Education classes.

However, a person didn't have to be a P.E. student to reap the benefits of being a member of the Track Team. Track helped its participants to learn how to use their athletic abilities for things they never thought possible, and it taught them to improve their speed, dexterity, and overall running performance.

All track members put forth a tremendous effort in every event they participated in. All of the hard work paid off for the Track Team, as the boys won the District Championship.

Just like the runners on the team, a winning season flew by faster than a speeding bullet.

"I like to run because it gives me motivation and helps me to be a better person."
—Candace Justice, Eighth Grader

"Running is for the real athletes because running takes endurance."
—David Hileman, Freshman



The Worst Thing About Track Was:

"The long bus rides to the meets," answered 2 of the 16 Track Team members surveyed.



"Having to practice," said 5 others.

"Not having enough time on my hands,"



replied 5 more.



"After it was over," sadly responded the last 4 team members.

Weeding Out

Forensics Team Picked Their Way Through the Competition



The Forensics Team geared up to perfect their skills and prove their talent. From practice after school to competitions on the weekends, the team pushed and pushed to succeed and do their very best. Day after day they took time to perfect their vocal chords and memorize their pieces. To them, practice seemed to be fun and not like work at all. As Junior Chasity Chafin said, *"Participating in Forensics was great! I enjoyed competing and gained some valuable experience."* This experience was later proven to be helpful in competition.

Coach Dolly Wallace thought that a trip to Gatlinburg for the Smoky Mountain Forensics Tournament would be a nice motivator to get ready for Districts.

"Participating in Forensics was great! I enjoyed competing and gained some valuable experience."

—Chasity Chafin,
Junior

Whether it was the trip or not, something obviously motivated the team. They won all the major interpretation categories in the district, and the team place second overall.

After Districts came Regionals. There, the team was able to bring home a third place finish. In addition to this, several members were able to make it to the State Tournament in Charlottesville.

A strong finish at State gave several of the competing team members top ten wins.

After a long season of practicing, traveling and competing — it was ob-

vious to those who questioned, Forensics was definately a sport! But, even still, it was also a fun experience. As Senior Wendy Dollarhyde added, *"All in all, I loved it!"*



If I could have been a character in one of the forensics pieces I would have been a:

"Psychotic cat killer,"

answered 4 of the 15 team members surveyed.



"Beauty queen," responded 4 others.

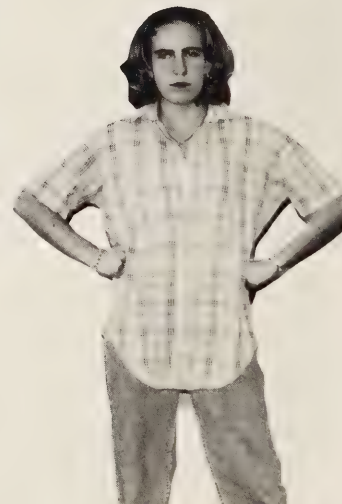
"Cootie plagued student," said 4 more.



"Dolly Parton impersonator," answered an additional 3.

"Forensics was great! It allowed me to release a lot of emotions that were building up inside. It was a good look for me too!"
—Jonathan Cozzolino,
Psychoic Edgar Allan Poe Character

"My forensics piece opened me up to a whole new world of bygones!"
—Ashley Addington,
Cootie Infested Burris in
To Kill A Mockingbird



And the trophy goes to . . . Freshman Carla White anxiously shows Coach Dolly Wallace the Forensic Team's trophy during the awards ceremony at District Competition at Mountain Empire Community College. The Forensics Team came in second place overall in the Cumberland District.



Forensics Team . . . FRONT ROW: Coach Dolly Wallace, Misty Turner, Courtney Jessee, Asten Buckles, Randi Hamilton, Ashley Addington, Jared Coffey, Chase Porter, and Rebecca Meade. **BACK ROW:** Jeff Stevens, Brandie Sproles, Wendy Dollarhyde, Amy Bartee, Katy Dickenson, Jonathan Cozzolino, Darrell Taylor, Michael Sutherland, and Chasity Chafin.

TREEmendous Stats!

Check Out the Top Highlights of the Season

- The team took a trip to Gatlinburg for competition.
- The team won all major interpretation categories in District Competition.
- The team placed second in the Cumberland District.
- The team placed third in Region D.
- Katy Dickenson, Courtney Jessee, Jared Coffey, and Darrell Taylor all placed in the the State Tournament.



And the winner is . . . Senior Darrell Taylor receives his Forensics medal at Districts. There Darrell placed first in Storytelling, and the team placed second overall.

ScoreBOARD

Competition

Placement

Cumberland District

Extremeporaneous Speaking, Domestic	Jeff Stevens	3rd
Storytelling	Darrell Taylor	1st
Prose Interpretation	Brandie Sproles	3rd
Poetry Interpretation	Asten Buckles	2nd
Serious Dramatic Interpretation	Carla White	1st
	Jonathan Cozzolino	3rd
	Jared Coffey	1st
	Ashley Addington	3rd
Humorous Dramatic Interpretation	Katy Dickenson & Courtney Jessee	2nd
Duo Interpretation	Wendy Dollarhyde & Randi Hamilton	3rd
Spelling	Misty Turner	2nd

Regional Competition

Storytelling	Darrell Taylor	3rd
Serious Dramatic Interpretation	Jonathan Cozzolino	2nd
Humorous Dramatic Interpretation	Jared Coffey	2nd
Duo Interpretation	Katy Dickenson & Courtney Jessee	2nd

State Competition

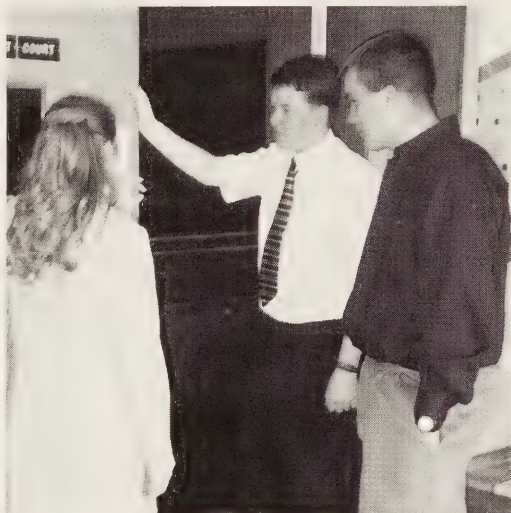
Storytelling	Darrell Taylor	6th
Humorous Dramatic Interpretation	Jared Coffey	7th
Duo Interpretation	Katy Dickenson & Courtney Jessee	4th

TRÉEmendous Stats!

Check Out the Top Highlights of the Season

- The Mock Trial Team had a large percentage of underclassmen show a genuine interest in the law.
- “Making it to ‘Grungy’ and back!” was a highlight for Coach Caroline Sabo.
- The team enjoyed watching Senior Jonathan Cozzolino get harassed by an irate witness.
- The team learned a great deal about circumstantial evidence.
- The Mock Trial Team showed everyone just how smart and intuitive they really were.

Enter at your own risk . . . Sophomore Cole Osborne seems hesitant about going in the Circuit Courtroom during the District Tournament, as classmate Kelly Paul King and Junior Amy Bartee appear to be ready to go.



Outsidebar . . . Sophomores Jes Stacy, Chase King, Chase Porter, and Senior Jonathan Cozzolino have a meeting of the master legal minds on the front steps of the Russell County Courthouse. The team put forth a valiant effort and placed second overall at the District Tournament held in Lebanon.



ScoreBOARD

Tournament

Placement

District
(Lebanon, VA)

2nd

Regional
(Grundy, VA)

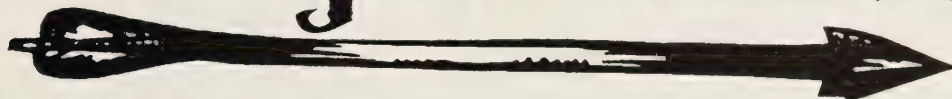
3rd



Mock Trial Team . . . **FRONT ROW:** Alyssa Hearl, Jonathan Cozzolino, Jared Coffey, Melissa Hensley, Amy Bartee, Katy Dickenson, Kim Salyers, and Kelly Paul King. **BACK ROW:** Chase Porter, Cole Osborne, Chase King, and Jes Stacy.



Straight Arrows



The Mock Trial Team Battled the Justice System Armed With Suits and Briefcases

What team was compiled of students who practiced arguing, disputing, appealing, and then ultimately ending up in court? The Mock Trial Team of course!

Students, who always seemed to possess a nagging ability to come up with an answer to everything, joined the Mock Trial Team. They fully prepared themselves daily for the pretend case they would undertake at competition.

Several underclassmen decided to give the Mock Trial Team a try. Eighth Grader Alysia Hearl commented, *"It was a fun and interesting experience."*

Interesting was an understatement! The young members of the team were amazed at how the veterans practiced legal maneuvers that even Judge Judy herself could not handle!

Following District Competition in Lebanon, the team practiced and prepared for the Regional Tournament. They boarded the bus armed with power suits and briefcases and slowly made their way to Grundy. There they were able to hold on and left with a third place finish. This placement was impressive; but, it was also the team's last trial of the season.

Even though

they did not advance to State Competition, Sophomore Chase King summed up the team's attitude best when he said, *"I had a great time with this year's Mock Trial Team. It was cool to compete with different schools."*

These inexperienced members learned quickly to watch and learn from the upperclassmen. Eventually, it was obvious that the team knew their stuff—they placed second overall in the Cumberland District.

"I thought I was going to die!"

—Melissa Hensley,
Eighth Grader

"So how nervous were you when they crossed you?"

—Kim Salyers, Junior

Outside the Courtroom

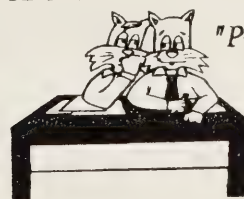
I was Most Like A:

"Defense lawyer; full of excuses,"
said 3 of the

12 Mock Trial Team members surveyed.



"Prosecuting attorney; I always had something up my sleeve," answered 4 others.



"Witness; observant and poised," responded 5 more.



Battle of the Brains

The Academic Team Members Challenged Their Minds



Think . . . yes, no, maybe that's right. I hope that's right anyway. These may have been some of the many thoughts pondered over during the tough Academic Competitions. Each member of the team knew it was a challenging battle of the brains they were getting themselves into when they joined the Academic Team; but, they took on the challenge in stride. Was it worth all the studying and mind-boggling questions? Definitely, according to Freshman Misty Turner who said, *"All our studying paid off because we won most of our matches!"*

The overall attitude of the Academic Team was one of knowledge equals power. This proved to be the truth considering their hard-won earnings at all ten of the matches.

The members of the Academic Team were very intellectual, as they were required to study for competitions as well as their regular classes. This type of dedication created fondness among

the team. *"I enjoyed working with all of them,"* commented one of their two coaches, Mrs. Penny Hudson.

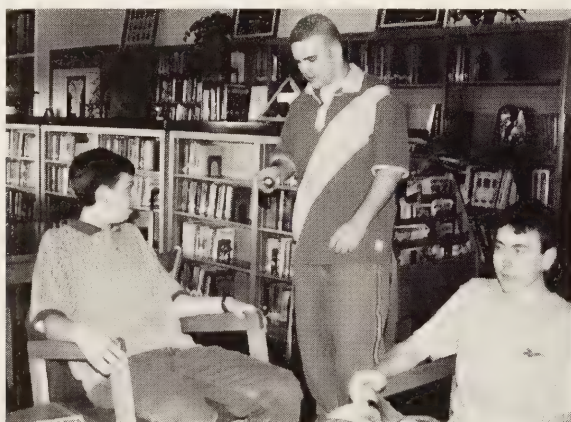
From facts to figures, each team member certainly knew his or her stuff. As a result of their sharp intellect, the Academic

Team emerged proud of themselves at every single turn. They truly understood the benefits of studying hard and challenging the mind.

"They were very intellectual, very hard working, very personable students. Each were unique in their own abilities. I enjoyed working with all of them."

—Mrs. Penny Hudson, Coach

The team knew that it was due to their ability to contemplate and remember all the things they had learned up to that point which helped them compete.



Lounging in the library . . . Sophomores Andrew Hensley and Eric Ervin pass the time playing with a yo-yo as they wait for practice to begin in the library, while Freshman Dustin Holbrook flips through a magazine. Team members found ways to amuse themselves before it was time to work.

Coaching conference . . . Ms. Castle and Mrs. Hudson have a meeting of the minds during a break in competition in the library. The two coaches could often be found with their heads together creating new game strategies.



Now what is that answer? . . . Sophomores Chase Porter and Eric Ervin, and Juniors Michael Sutherland and Jeff Stevens, contemplate the correct response to the question just asked of them during the home match in the library against Twin Springs. The team put their heads together and battled hard to win the match 160 to 70.



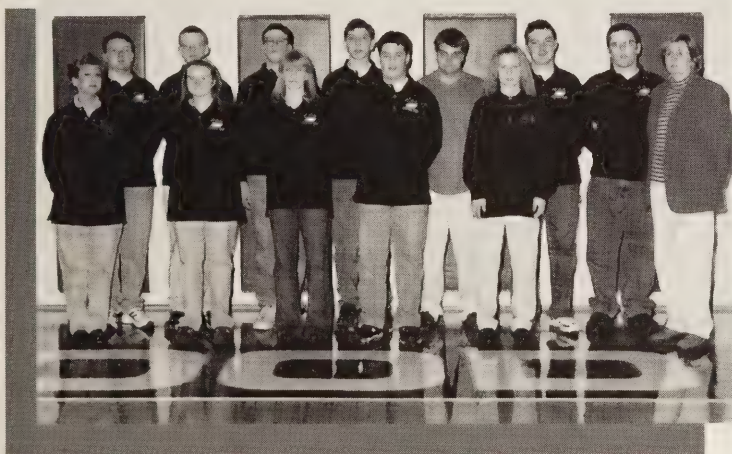
TREEmendous Stats!

Check Out the Top Highlights of the Season

- The team won first place at a county competition, beating rivals Lebanon and Honaker High Schools.
- They placed second in District Competition.
- The Academic Team received third place in Regional Competition.



As Bob Ross would say . . . Junior Jeff Stevens explains his answer to a fellow member of the team during practice in the library. This Academic Team helped each other when things seemed unclear.



Academic Team . . . FRONT ROW: Coach Peggy Castle, Amy Bartee, Jeana Willis, Mike Johnson, Misty Turner, and Coach Penny Hudson. **BACK ROW:** Cole Osborne, Chase Porter, Daniel Johnson, Andrew Hensley, Jeff Stevens, Michael Sutherland, and Eric Ervin.

SCOREBOARD

Devils

Opponent

170	Rye Cove	40
125	St. Paul	220
155	Twin Springs	130
110	Rye Cove	70
120	St. Paul	140
160	Twin Springs	70
135	Thomas Walker	165

Lights, camera, action . . . Freshman Whitney Phillips prepares her History Day Project, entitled "Innovations in Medicine," for the Senior Level Division Performance Category during the school competition, while fellow classmates Jennifer Puckett and Shannon Hale give some friendly assistance. Whitney won her category during the school competition and later traveled to District Competition, which was sponsored by Emory and Henry College, and placed second, which earned her a trip to the State Competition in Williamsburg. Jennifer, and her partner Sheena Austin, placed first also in a different category, the Senior Level Division Project Category, with their entry entitled, "Plastics Revolution." Shannon, and her partner Roy Couch, also competed in the same category and earned third place for their project entitled, "Rachel Carson." Other winners in the school competition were: Lauren Wallace, Bobbi Jo Jessee, Summer Chafin, Krista Honaker, Megan Campbell, Emily Puckett, Damara Fields, Trista Hicks, Crystal Porter, Lindsey Davenport, Audrea Sanders, Courtney King, Alishia Cox, Carla White, Rachel Meade, Josh Bradley, Matthew Hileman, Matt Ball, Thomas Barton, and Wesley Mullins.



WOODn't

ya know it?



Students Were Expected to Become The Early Birds When it Came to Academics

WOODn't ya know it? As soon as students walked through the doors on the first day of school, they were expected to learn. With the pressures of the new Virginia Standards of Learning and the ever-present expectations of doing their best, students were forced to become the early birds when it came to the matters of academics.

Before being allowed to play sports or participate in other extracurricular activities, most students were required to first master their native tongue of **English** and factor a few equations of **Math**. They also needed to know a little bit of **History**, while at the same time be able to appreciate the power of **Science**. After gaining confidence in the elements of English, students had to also demonstrate proficiency in **Foreign Languages**. Some students decided they wanted to learn a **Vocational** trade, while others aspired to be great chefs or seamstresses in **Home Economics**, and yet others felt the creative need to become **Artists**. A few talented individuals decided that **Choir and Band** best suited their musical tastes. Braver upperclassmen gave the challenging, yet fun, courses like **Journalism and Drama** a try. And what would a modern day version of academia be without the technology of classes offered through the **Business Department** and the programs made available through the **Computer Lab**? Then, each student at one time or another was allowed to have a little fun while getting in shape in **P.E.**, and later enjoyed the thrill of getting behind the wheel in **Drivers' Education**.

Whatever the class, whoever the student, everyone was expected to do their best in academics . . . WOODn't ya just know it?!



Splice up your life . . . Seniors Daniel Beavers and Joey Mooney learn the basics about electrical wiring in a building trades class at the Vocational School. Vocational students traveled to Lebanon for either morning or evening classes which provided students with the opportunity to learn valuable trades while focusing on possible career choices. The building trades class, along with other vocational classes, participated in a unique hands-on project and built a house from the ground up. To complete such a task, students were required to demonstrate proper woodworking, plumbing, electrical, brick laying, and other carpentry skills.

Leapin' lizards! . . . Juniors Buzz Hamblin and Shannon Fields seem fascinated by the petrified iguana a classmate brought to Mr. Wells' fourth period Biology I class. While others were grossed out by formaldehyde and various reptiles and amphibians, students such as these found studying such creatures to be both educational and amusing. Dissection became an activity that students looked forward to during the second semester. It gave biology classes the chance to learn about various organisms in a fun way other than reading a textbook.



KINDLING FOR THE FIRE



English Supplied Poetic Justice

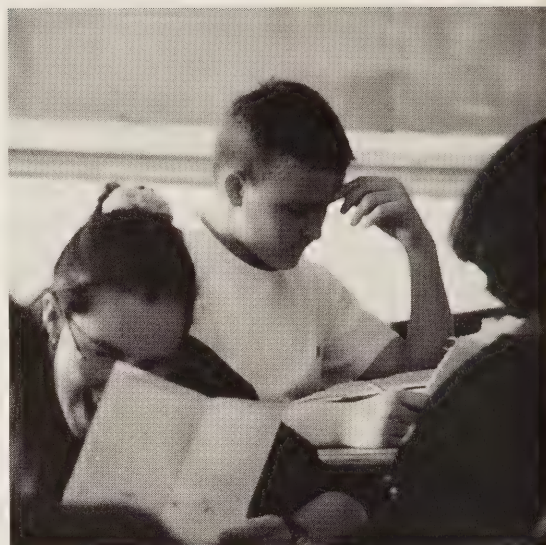
"When getting my nose in a book/Cured most things short of school,/It was worth ruining my eyes/To know I could still keep cool . . ." — "A Study of Reading Habits", by Philip Larkin. On that poetic note, what was on the minds of English students? Sophomore Matt Nickles simply said, *"I hope I pass English."* Despite the obvious, they began to realize that English was actually helping them in everyday, ordinary circumstances. The question was how they were going to *utilize* this newly discovered knowledge?

"English is designed to make us all 'Men Thinking.' "
Caroline Sabo,
English Teacher

English provided a means of mastering the citation and usage of words. Eighth grader Melissa Hensley said, *"English is useful."* Students learned proper grammar and had an understanding of literature as a result of writing essays and reports; reading plays, short stories, poems, and even novels; and using a wide range of vocabulary words. These methods of studying also introduced "playing on words" to get a point across. As English Teacher Caroline Sabo said, *"English is designed to make us all 'Men Thinking.' "*

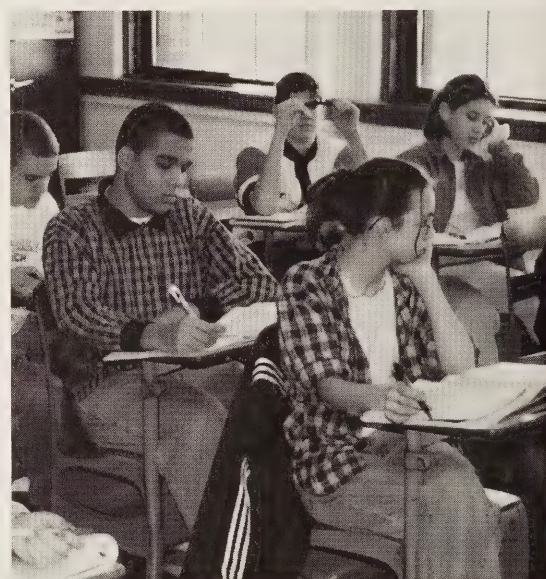
Deep thoughts

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Freshman Jacob Holbrook seems to really concentrate during Mrs. Gibson's 7th period English class. Classes became intense as more and more emphasis was put on the VA S.O.L.'s.



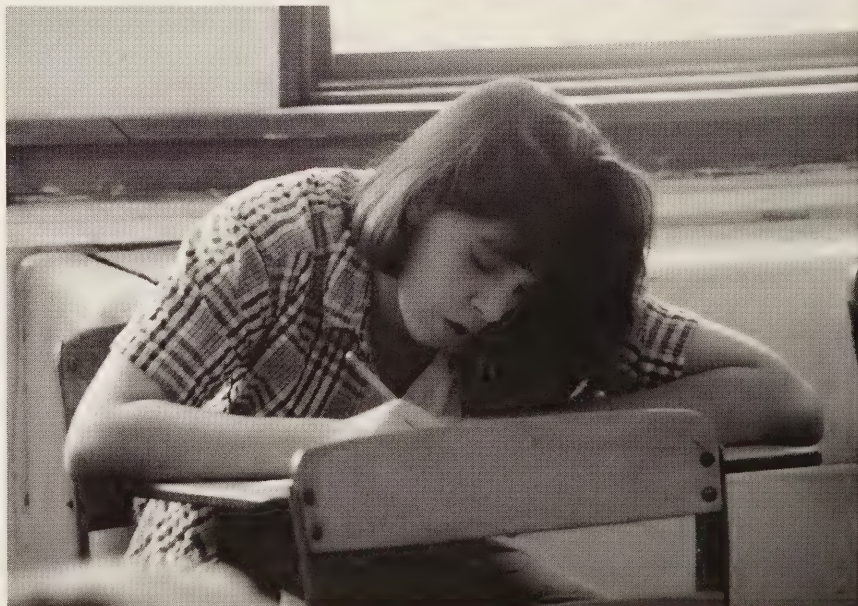
Young writers

...
Eighth Graders Jason White, Daven Phillips, Tonyia Ramsey, and Tara Carpenter, get a detailed grammar lesson during their English class in Mrs. Talbert's room.



Test time! . . . Freshmen Jeana Willis, Anna Stacy, and Traci Poole complete a grammar test for sixth period English 9 in room 103. English tests often caused concern when it came to learning the parts of speech.

I think I know this . . . Freshman Jessica Chafin seems to be in her own little world as she takes a spelling test during sixth period. All classes in the English Department took weekly spelling and vocabulary tests to broaden their language skills.



So many kinds of triangles . . . Junior Amy Bartee works on her geometry homework in Mrs. Skeens's room. By the time a student had completed this course, he or she should have known all of the different kinds of triangles and angles as well as how to prove them congruent.



THE NATURE OF ARITHMETIC

Students Figured Out the Value of Math

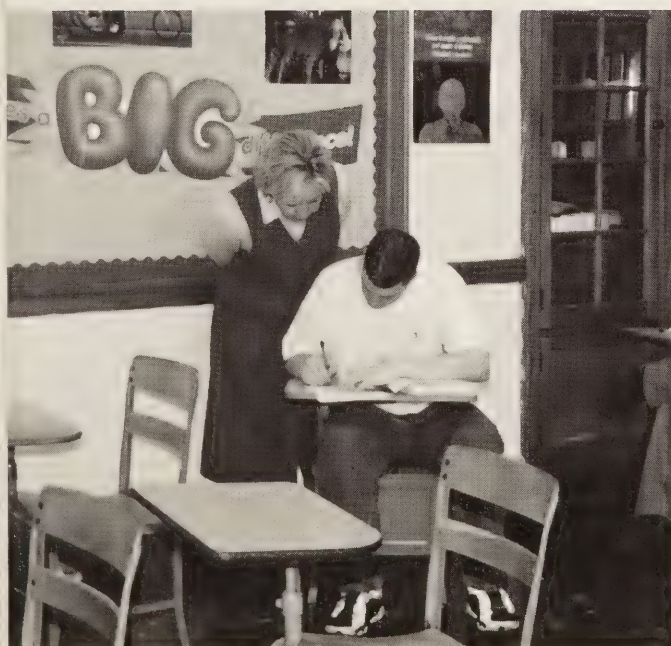
Most students thought that math was like an equation that could not be solved. It was probably one of the most dreaded classes among students. Many wondered why math was required and said they would never use it again. Also, with the new Standards of Learning requirements, students were a little stressed about math. Thanks to the teachers in the math department, students grasped on to the concept of the subject. Junior Shonna Glover said, "Mrs. Skeens makes geometry fun to learn." After all, math was a necessity not only for students who planned to attend college, but it also proved to be a useful tool in everything from architecture to shopping!

Students were seen busily punching away at calculators and pushing their pencils in determination. Those who put forth the effort learned from the best. Freshman Jessica Clevinger said, "I like learning from the man who knows everything — Coach Shortt!"

Students who planned to have a career in carpentry, engineering, or even as a store clerk would use math in the future. Even students who did not plan to have a mathematical career still used math for everyday tasks in their lives. As Coach Shortt himself said, "Math counts!" Although math was sometimes tough, students acquired skills that would be extremely useful in the future.

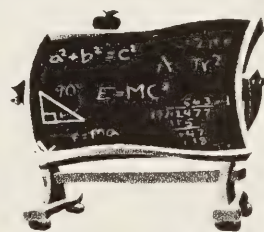


"Math class is good to take because it will be a big benefit in the future."
—Chase Porter, Freshman



Practice makes perfect . . . Mrs. Skeens makes sure that Junior Josh Bradley is doing his math homework correctly. Math homework was dreaded by nearly every student, but it gave students a chance to sharpen their skills before test time came around.

INSTEAD OF MATH, I'D RATHER BE:



"Wrestling crocodiles," answered 22 out of 40 math students surveyed.

"Performing manual labor," answered 9 more.

"Watching a Brady Bunch Marathon," replied 8 others.

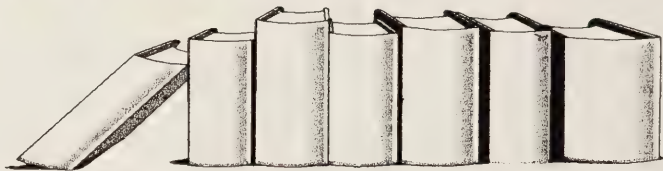
"Listening to Show Tunes," responded 1 more math student.

She's got the whole world in her hands . . . Freshman Anna Stacy grabs the globe for a quick snapshot in the library.

"Well, world history is better than geography," Anna replied about her opinion on the subject.



PULP NON-FICTION



Take an Open Book Quiz

1. The number of fully certified Social Studies teachers in the faculty were:

- A. 12.
- B. 1.
- C. 6.
- D. 4.

2. The Social Studies class **not** required to graduate was:

- A. World Geography.
- B. United States Government.
- C. World History (0-1,000 A.D.).
- D. none of the above.

3. The number of Social Studies classrooms were:

- A. 10.
- B. 20.
- C. 4.
- D. 2.

4. The teacher that had taught Social Studies the longest was:

- A. Coach Randy Poole.
- B. Coach Laymon "Butch" Kiser.
- C. Mr. Dudley McCoy.
- D. Coach Mike Roberson.

A WORLD OF WONDER

History Students Took Notice of Their Past and Their Future

The study of the world throughout time was the basis of courses from world history to U.S. Government. As times changed, so did the lessons and books which were studied by the students. With the beginning of another school year came the splitting up of world history into two classes, along with new books for those courses as well as brand new texts for world geography. Despite these attempts to help learn the material, there were some who had complaints. "World History with Coach Poole is hard!" complained Freshman Kayela Elam. Freshman Amanda Chafin exclaimed, "It would be fun if I didn't have an assigned seat in Mr. McCoy's world history class!"

Whether the slightest annoyance was studying for difficult tests, seating arrangements, or just plain laziness, students from every grade conquered each social studies class as it came. In U.S. Government, Seniors learned the processes of the White House and Congress. U.S. History, a prerequisite to government, taught students how the country was led in the past, and world history reviewed the past on a global basis.

As the year progressed, students were constantly reminded of the end of course testing required by the Virginia S.O.L.'s in each history course. It was obvious that to move on in the world, students would have to know a little about it first!



Learning made fun . . . Mr. McCoy is giving another one of his famous lectures to his sixth period class, while Senior Duane Holmes, Junior Carmen Smith, and Junior Matthew Hileman take notes. Besides reciting numerous historical orations, U.S. History classes took lengthy notes to learn the important events of our nation's history.

"Mr. McCoy is really fun and he makes history fun!"

—Nicole Baker, Freshman



"It's alright. I guess it's just hard for me to remember all of the important names."

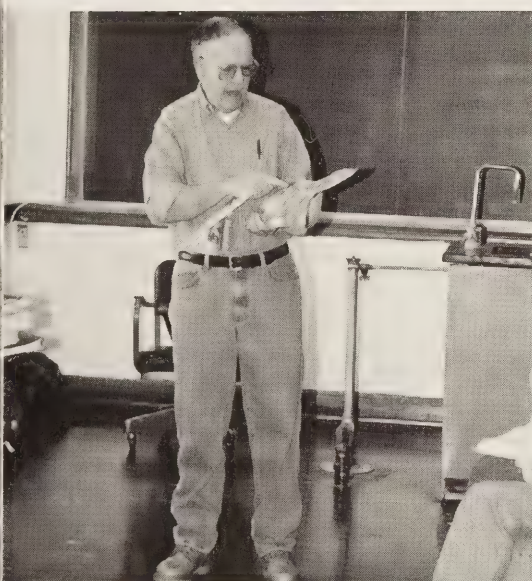
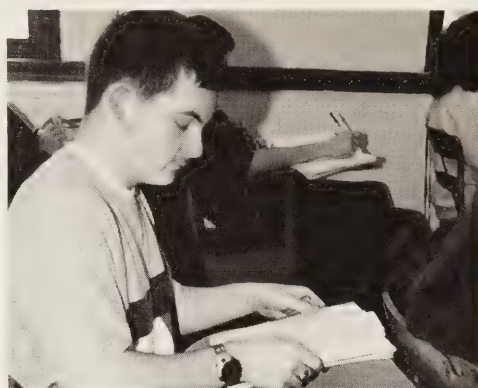
—Alishia Cox, Freshman





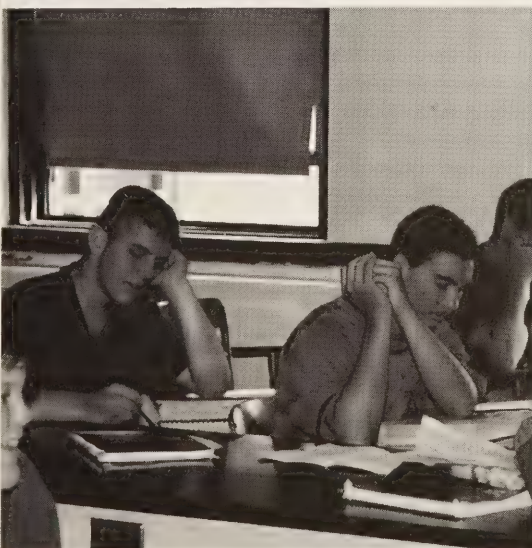
Future surgeons? . . . Juniors Josh Bradley and Josh Riddle dissect a sheep's heart in Biology II. Although at first this seemed like a disgusting assignment to many biology students, most discovered the lesson to be very informative.

Study, study, study . . . Junior Michael Sutherland is studying hard for a Biology II test. Biology II students worked to keep their grades up, but they also learned some important information in the process.



You cut it right here.

. . . Mr. Wells preps his biology class for their big dissection project during the second semester. For some this was the most dreaded part of the course, while others welcomed the challenge.



What's the answer?

. . . Derick Phillips and Jesse Barnette complete their biology worksheets. Mr. Wells often gave out worksheets to help students prepare for tests.

SCIENCE

Students Revealed What It Was Like to be Under the Microscope



Science students sure had to prove themselves. From complicated but fun lab experiments to those pesky Standards of Learning Tests, students in the science department were being watched to make sure they knew their stuff.

Whether it was Science 8 or Physics, students from each grade had to study both living and non-living things. Students also had to grasp the concepts of weather conditions and hold down their lunch as they dissected sheep's hearts and other yucky things.

The things that mattered the most to the science students were the teachers who taught the classes and the material covered. "Mrs. Hackney is nice, so everything's been fine this year!," said

Freshman Amanda Trail. Freshman Vickie Clark added, "I normally don't like Earth Science; but I like going over what we're doing now, which is clouds and the weather."

"I normally don't like Earth Science; but I like going over what we're doing now, which is clouds and the weather."
—Vickie Clark, Freshman

As the year moved on, the scrutiny the science students were under became bearable. The ones who tried their best, proved they knew what they were doing.



Spanish class could be best described as a "tortilla" of language, culture, and community activities. Students found themselves learning to conjugate verbs and even sing songs in Spanish. Education, as well as entertainment, were compiled in this mixture. "Spanish is great! We learn lots of things in Ms. Proffitt's class," commented Junior Tanner Dotson.

The outside Spanish activities seemed to be an interesting aspect of the class. They visited Los Arcos, a Spanish restaurant in Abingdon, for the second con-

secutive year. The classes also created a prize-winning Spanish float for the Lebanon Christmas Parade. Freshman Jessica Chafin best summed it up by saying, "We do a lot of things in Spanish,

but the best thing was winning first place in the Christmas Parade!"

These classes continued to use a unique approach to learning the Spanish language. Students also enjoyed

being automatic members of the newly founded Spanish Club. These students found no time for siestas in this class, but it was so fun, they didn't mind at all.

"We do a lot of things in Spanish but the best thing was winning first place in the Christmas Parade!"

—Jessica Chafin,
Freshman

Creative caps

Miss Proffitt participates in Homecoming Hat Day by wearing a culturally appropriate sombrero, while Senior Tonya Amos wears more traditional headgear. Everyone enjoyed being able to dress down during this festive week — even teachers!



Picture day! . . .

Members of the Spanish Club wait outside on the front steps for the wind to die down so they may get their picture taken. Students were occasionally called out of class to get proper coverage for the yearbook.

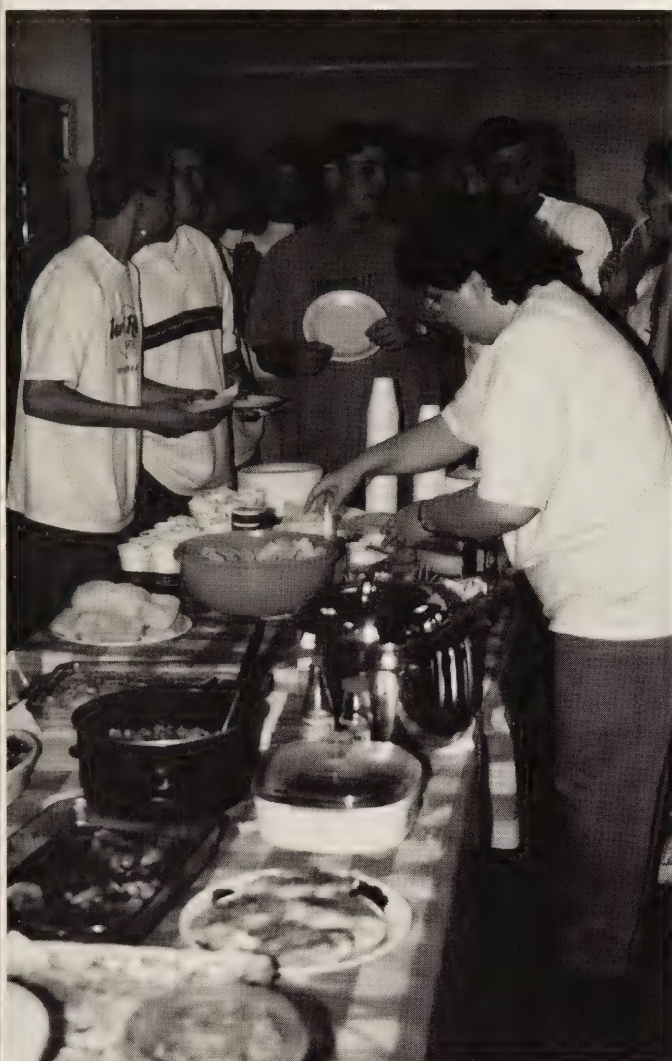


Making the grade . . . Freshmen Amanda Trail, Rebecca Brandon, Amanda Chafin, and Shannon Johnson work on their Spanish project in class. Students enjoyed working together in groups because it enabled them to chat while completing assignments.

Mmm Mmm good! . . . Sophomore Jason Meade and Freshman Jacob Holbrook stack their plates with goodies during a Spanish Club meeting. Club meetings often gave students a chance to enjoy yummy treats.



French cuisine . . . French Teacher Ms. Stevenson prepares food during the annual French/Spanish meal for some hungry foreign language students. Once again, students enrolled in a foreign language class combined culinary efforts and prepared exotic dishes which they enjoyed during fourth period in the old cafeteria.



FROM A DIFFERENT NECK OF THE WOODS

French Students Discovered a New Culture

The French ship set sail on a voyage through the exciting French culture and romantic French language once again. From conjugating verbs to translating conversations, numerous challenges were faced by students on the French "sea". *"Even though I probably will never go to France, I enjoy learning about the French language and culture,"* said junior Amy Bartee, a third-year French student.

Students looked forward to the annual French cooking event. Depending on their French class level, students prepared desserts, side dishes, or complete meals. The variety of foods was overwhelming. Students enjoyed preparing and eat-

ing the foods, as well as sharing funny cooking stories.

As the class progressed, students, for the most part, found themselves gradually picking up on the "waves" of French language. However, some found the language class to be a little more challenging. Sophomore Mark Dye, a second-year French student said, *"French is cool even though I can't speak a word of it!"*

Overall, students found out that while French was challenging, it was also exciting to learn about a new culture and language. The students knew that when the year finally came to a close they would be able to respond *"Oui"* to the question *"Parlez-vous francais?"*



"It's a lot of hard work, but we have fun."
—Matthew Chafin, Sophomore

Can you
help me?

... Freshman Courtney King asks for help in French II. Students often lent a helping hand when needed. Teachers often allowed students to pair up to work on large assignments. This technique proved invaluable when learning a second language.

**I BROKE DOWN and
CRIED WHENEVER
MADEMOISELLE
STEVENSON SAID TO:**



"Give an oral report," said 23 out of 50 French students surveyed.



"Read out loud in French," whined 16 others.



"Complete a translation," sadly replied 6 more.



"Write an answer on the board," cried the remaining 5.

Stop teasing,
does my
hair really
look okay? . . .

Senior Jessica Bradley
and Junior Janet Horne
reassure Sophomore
Pamela Steele that her
hair will look just fine
with a little help from
their cosmetology skills
which they learned in
their first year of
cosmetology classes at
the vocational school.
The cosmetology class
provided a client service
for the public two days
out of every week.
They offered services
such as hairstyling,
manicures, and facials.

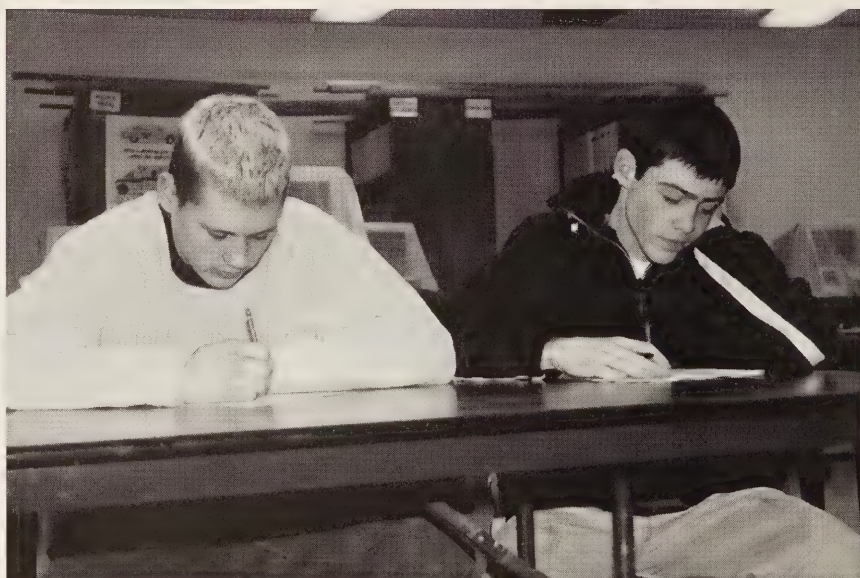


TAKE AN OPEN TOOLBOX QUIZ



Can You Unscramble
These Names of Tools
That Vocational
Students Used?

rrrveidswre
spipelrc
hoepcstesto
hweren
mheamr
enesendoel rpelsi



Carefully concentrating . . . Juniors Eric Combs and Shannon Fields reluctantly but willingly complete a test in the computer lab. Hands on projects were not all that vocational students had to do, book work and tests were also a part of the vocational program.

Daily grind . . . Freshman Gary Hale grinds a piece of metal in electricity class. This piece of metal was the finishing touch on Gary's most recent assignment. As you can see, he is wearing his safety glasses which was a requirement at all times for all students working with tools and machinery.



OFF THE BEATEN PATH

Vocational Students Took the Road Less Traveled and Learned Hands-On Job Skills

For many students staying at school all day and taking the average schedule of classes just wasn't very appealing. Instead, these students chose to attend the vocational school for half a day.

There they learned various trades. There were many diverse departments in which students could choose to be enrolled. Learning skills to prepare them for jobs in the real world was one thing they all had in common.

Another thing several of the classes had in common was building a house. Yes, that's right! They built a real house!

"Building the house was my favorite project," said Senior Charlie Osborne. Charlie and the building trades class worked on everything from the plumbing and electricity, to the wood-working and carpentry.

"Building the house was my favorite project."
—Charlie Osborne, Senior

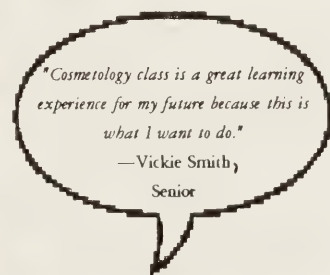
The electricity class pulled wire, hooked up a 200 amp breaker box, ran power to the house, and installed receptacles and fixtures. The brick laying was done by the masonry class.

Every class did not get the opportunity to work on the house, but they had their own projects to keep them busy.

The auto mechanics class spent their time tuning up cars and trucks. *"I think it's fun and enjoyable working on vehicles,"* said Sophomore Anthony Beavers.

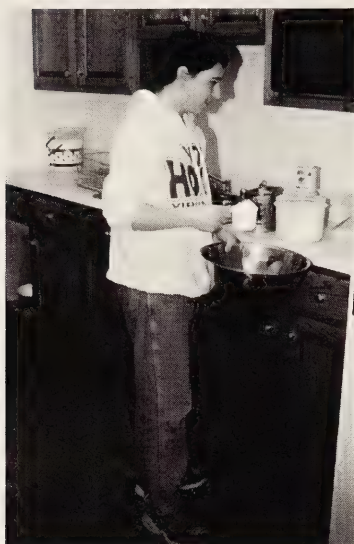
The cosmetology class learned about hair color, facial treatments, chemistry, and anatomy. The foods class trained to prepare and serve meals while the nursing classes practiced their bed side manners.

All of this training definitely prepared students for real life.

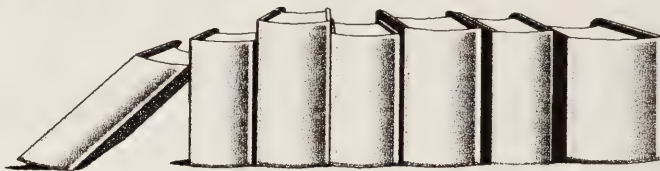


Happy to be in English Class once again . . . Freshman Farrell Kantos is ready for another interesting literature lesson in Mrs. Dorothy Jones' English Class. Students in this class studied American Literature as well as grammar and spelling.

A cup of what? . . . Eighth grader Josh Fields whips up a special recipe in the kitchen. Foods was a class in which a student could actually eat his or her projects!



PULP NON-FICTION



Take an Open Book Quiz

1. The number of students that took Foods Class was:

- A. 22. B. 16.
C. 34. D. 10.

2. The brand of washing machine located in the Home Ec. Department was:

- A. Kenmore. B. Kelvinator.
C. Maytag. D. Happy Care.

3. The brand of sewing machines found in the Home Ec. Department were:

- A. Singer. B. Old Home.
C. Viking. D. Sew-a-Matic.

4. The number of spools of thread that were used during the first semester in Home-Ec. was:

- A. 21. B. 8.
C. 17. D. 5.

"I like going to Home Ec. because I like to eat the food we cook!"

—Wesley Mullins, Eighth Grader



LIFE IS ONE BIG PICNIC!

Home Ec. Students Made Their Own Fun

The Home Economics Department jump-started students for the life ahead of them. It taught students many basic life skills. It also taught responsibility and patience. Whether it was sewing a shirt or preparing a tasty treat, students always had fun. *"Home Ec. is pretty cool. We get to cook and sew,"* said Eighth Grader Melissa Beavers.

Foods class also played a large role in getting students ready to face the world. Second and third periods found cooking fairly simple, exciting, and extremely beneficial to the students. Some students even believed it was a "piece of cake." Junior Chad Hamblin said, *"Foods class is the best, it's easy."*

Most thought home economics classes would be easy too, but first and fourth periods soon learned this course was full of challenging experiences. Students had to demonstrate the ability to prepare meals, sew, and manage money. Sewing every stitch just right; making sure not to burn any food; and following tricky safety rules were not easy.

Students also got a taste of real life when they cared for flour-bag babies and dolls and realized just how stressed out parents can get.

Whether it was foods class or home economics, students learned the value of patience and creativity.



"Foods is a great class to take because you learn how to cook."

—Roseanne Rose, Freshman

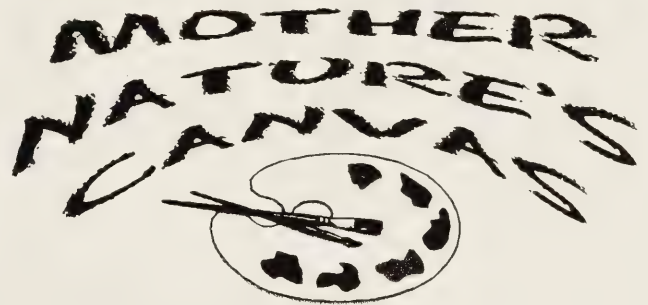


Carving artist . . . Sophomore Traci Long scratches a design into her clay pinch-pot during 7th period. Art I. Each student used a different scratching technique to decorate his or her pottery.

I don't think we're doing this the right way . . . Seniors Tracy Meade and Crystal Smith seem to be a little confused about what to do in Art I. Working with clay was a messy craft, but it was also a lot of fun.



Coloring inside the lines . . . Senior Brianne Casteel works on a comic book drawing on the wall outside the art room. In art, students were allowed to let their creativity flow — even onto the walls!



Art Students Used a World of Colors to Create Their Masterpieces

Art opened the eyes of students and thrust them into the world to take the time to recognize the beauty of all things. Students were able to express their individuality, and art classes became a favorite among the students. Sophomore Cody Ervin said, *"Art is the best class of the day."*

Art II and III created "dot drawings" that were amazingly accurate. Senior Travis Jessee drew a very detailed picture of Michael Jordan, and Senior Katy Dickenson did a perfect portrait of Hank Williams.

Each student, through great talent and technique, produced his or her own masterpiece. Art was a great class to take for the talented and for the not-so-talented. It was an enrichment for those with skill, and for others, art taught them to discover the abilities they did not even know that had.

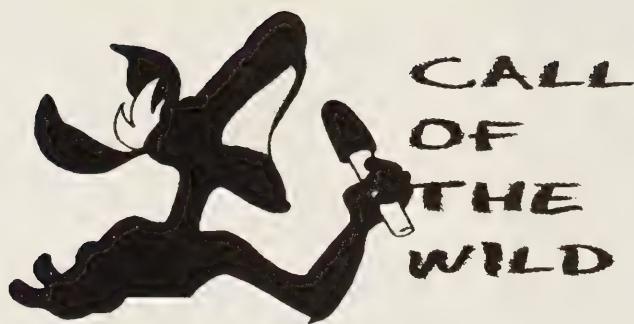
Then there were those that saw comedy in everything. As Junior

Cameron Hall stated, *"I took this class in honor of my hero, Bob Ross."* Art created a "Happy Little World" for everyone.

"I took this class in honor of my hero, Bob Ross."
—Cameron Hall, Junior



Mirror image . . . Junior Brandon Miller works on his self-portrait during 3rd period art class. Art students were encouraged to come up with their own unique projects using various types of art media.



Choir Allowed Its Voice to be Heard

"Do, re, mi, fa, so, la, ti, da!" Singing the scales was a surefire way to get those vocals warmed up for members of the choir. Of course, that was not all that got the singers inspired for their concerts, or even everyday practices. No, of course, a love for singing already had to be stirring within their very souls before they could even carry a tune!

Fortunately, for Choir Director Kim Wright, a desire to sing was not was not something the members lacked. *"I like to sing every day in choir!"* Sophomore Kayla Austin cheerfully stated.

"I like to sing every day in choir!"
—Kayla Austin,
Sophomore

So, were there any times that really stood out in the minds of choir members? *"The funniest part of the Christmas concert was when Cameron (Hall) fell off the snow machine!"* laughed Senior Lori Tittle. Lucky for Cameron, he was not injured in the accident and luckily, choir concerts were not usually so dangerous!

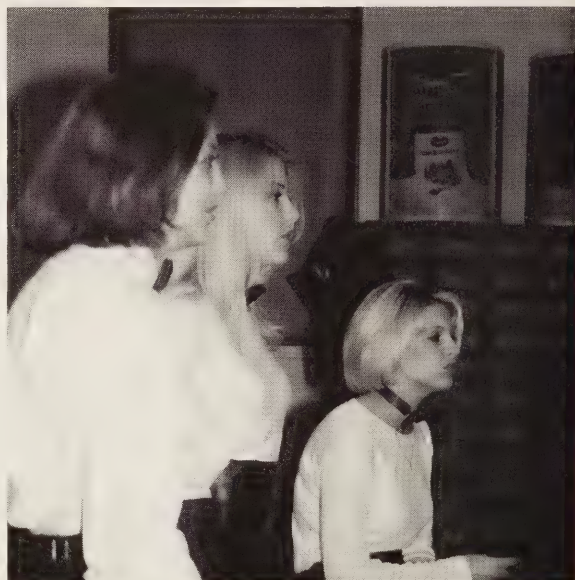
The choir was always up to some kind of fun and sometimes a little mischief. Fourth period choir was more than just serious business; its members really took the time to enjoy the good times as well.

Singing away . . . Mickey Collins, Jimmy Hobbs and Wesley Mullins are singing loud and clear while Matthew Nickles, Jonathan Cozzolino and Daven Phillips wonder how they manage to catch their breath.



Piece of cake . . .

Seniors Brianne Casteel, Jessica Fields and Lori Tittle seem to be calm while waiting to perform at the Christmas concert. For some choir students, however, singing for the student body was considered a crisis!

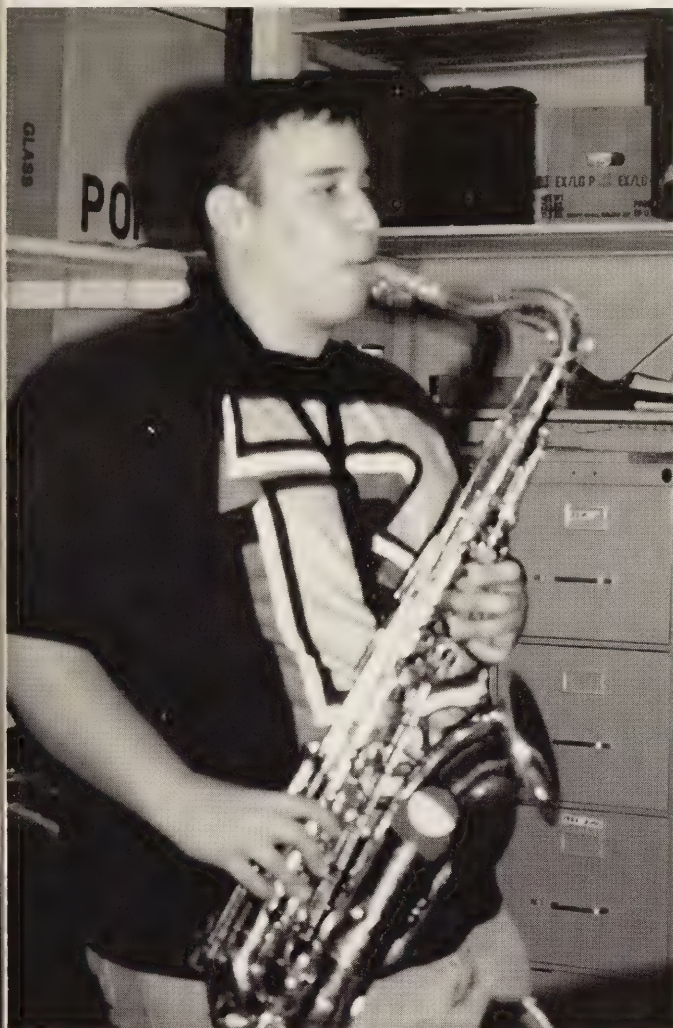


Gimme a break . . . These choir students take a break from their vigorous practicing to listen to Mickey Collins sing his solo. Most students enjoyed choir because it was one class in which they did not always have to keep their mouths shut.

It's show time! . . . The choir gives it their best shot at the Christmas concert. The choir and Mrs. Wright practiced for weeks and put a lot of work into making the Christmas concert an enjoyable event for everyone who attended.



Playing the blues . . . Junior Thomas Barton seems to be concentrating on playing his saxophone. Most band students put a lot of practice into learning to play their instrument. Sounds of all sorts came pouring out of the bandroom, as students were eager to participate because it gave them a sense of school pride.



ALL BARK NO BITE!

The Band Made Quite a Commotion About Music

Yes, there it went again. The band playing its music could be heard throughout the school-house on a clear day. In classes at the back of the building, one could hear the blaring of the horns and thumping of the drums as the band took advantage of sunny days and practiced religiously on the football field. This was typical of just another day of musical fun for the members of the school band.

"It's real crazy, man! We play a lot of R&B, (rhythm and blues), during practice! And we get to walk in the middle of the streets of Lebanon in the middle of winter and annoy people!" said Junior Thomas Barton about being a member of the band.

For other students, however, being a band member was the ultimate test of their abilities and they worked all year to perfect their skills, and in the process they gained some confidence. Sophomore Matt Ball stated, *"Music was one of the first forms of communication and can be found everywhere today. All music is based on mathematics, so the way I see it, I'm a genius!"*

Well, maybe all band members didn't rank themselves on the genius level, but they definitely weren't dummies. However each individual member viewed his or her musical talents, being in the band allowed music to not just be a part of his or her life, but instead, it became a passion.



"I am impressed that the band students could participate in 24 extra activities in 16 weeks while maintaining high academic standards. 24% of the band is on the Honor Roll!"

—Michael Knybel, Band Director



Pep squad . . .

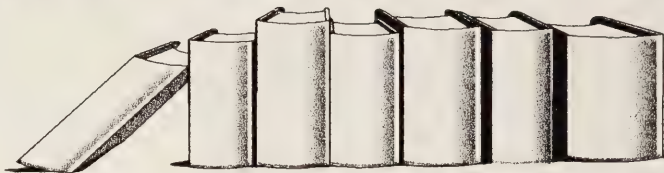
Members of the band, such as Senior Jessica Hicks and Freshman Annie Stacy, give it their all at a pep rally for the football team. Students looked forward to these days as they left seventh period early and filed into the old gym to spirited sounds provided by the marching band. The band could always be found at the end of the gym tooting their horns and beating their drums as they were directed by drum majorette, Vicky Collins.

"I have enjoyed working with the class to put together a great yearbook!"

—Lorena Kiser,
Junior



PULP NON-FICTION



Take an Open Book Quiz

1. The estimated amount of money paid to produce *The Best Yearbook Of All Time* was:

- A. \$10,000.
- B. \$7,000.
- C. \$21,000.
- D. \$17,500.

2. The only committee **not** used by the yearbook staff was the:

- A. Computer Staff.
- B. Copy Staff.
- C. Editing Staff.
- D. Photography Staff.

"Journalism is a lot of hard work, but in the long run, it is lots of fun and you get to talk to everyone in the school for one thing or another."

—Jessica McCulley, Photo Editor



JOURNEY THROUGH THE YEAR

Journalism Students Found a Way to Deal With Deadlines

Deadlines! The dreaded word that caused feelings of anticipation and anxiety. Even though things got tough, the journalism class never gave up.

Individuals involved in creating the yearbook experienced the pressures of deadlines frequently. There were times everyone thought he or she would go crazy. Some students discovered the pressure that deadlines created had beneficial effects on the quality of their work. Senior Katy Dickenson said, "*I work better under the pressure of deadlines. I may be unbearable, but I work better.*" Things were tough on the journalism class, but they still had time to have fun and laugh.

Junior Shane Lambert recalls the funniest thing he can remember, "*My funniest moment was when I went to Wal-Mart to get pictures developed, and I left them there so I told everyone I was robbed.*"

Most of the pressure was taken off their shoulders when the staff came up with a new system of getting things done. This class had it easier than their predecessors by creating a new system with three new committees and a change in the chain of command. Each committee had its own duties and deadlines which made things much easier, and *The Best Yearbook of All Time* became the end of an award-winning trilogy.



This class is making me old . . . Senior Alesha Roberts carefully draws her rough layout during 4th period journalism. Each page in the yearbook started from just a rough draft drawn on paper before being transferred to the computer and then shipped by disk to the publishing company in Dallas, Texas. This process left no room for mistakes when drawing a layout.

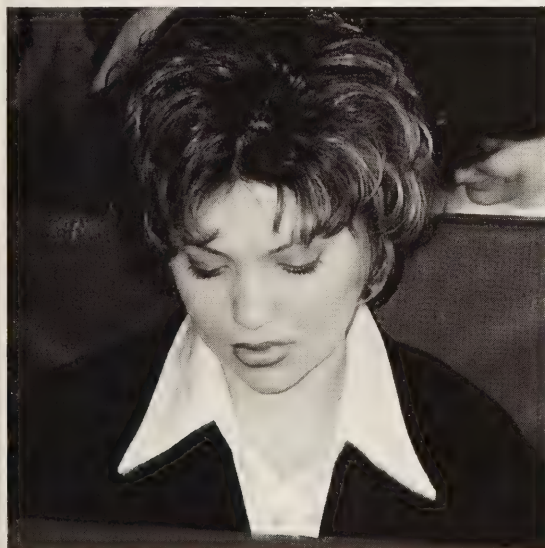


Beauty isn't easy . . . Senior Crystal Smith puts the final touches on Senior Veronica Mays's makeup. Wearing makeup during plays was a requirement for the drama students, including the boys, who hated every minute of it.

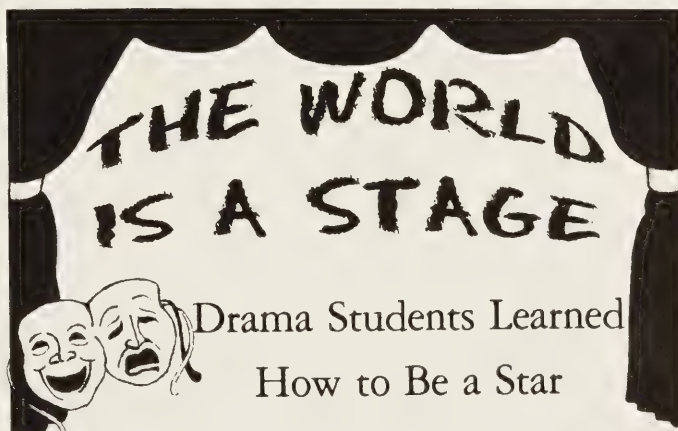
Pick me, pick me . . . Senior Jared Coffey tries his best to upstage classmate Wesley Mullins, Junior Jeff Stevens, and Senior Jonathan Cozzolino during the one-act play. Upstaging was something that an actor was not supposed to do and was discouraged by Mrs. Wallace.



Ready? . . . Senior Katy Dickinson and Junior Courtney Jessee practice their forensics piece one more time at District Competition at Mountain Empire. Forensics was another requirement that came along with being in drama class. Katy and Courtney went on to place second at the meet in Duo Interpretation.



On the road . . . Senior Randi Hamilton silently rehearses her duo forensics piece on her way to the District Tournament at Mountain Empire Community College. Randi and her partner, Wendy Dollarhyde, placed 3rd at the competition.



Drama Students Learned How to Be a Star

The lights were lowered, the curtain went up. Backstage jitters were thrust aside as the actors walked on to the stage to become completely different characters. The best way to face up to their fears was to tell themselves what Senior Wendy Dollarhyde kept in mind to calm her own worries, "Now is the time!"

When asked how she felt about drama, Sponsor Dolly Wallace replied, "Shakespeare said, 'Life is but a walking shadow that struts and frets his hour upon the stage and then is heard no more'."

Contrary to what many believed, and despite the weird sounds coming out of their 5th period class, drama was not *all* fun and games. Due to a lot of practice, the drama students won

the District Theatre Competition and advanced to Regionals where they were upset by Powell Valley. The drama class was not too distraught; they were just glad they could become

themselves again before becoming yet another character for forensics and the musical. They enjoyed being actors, but it was easier living their own lives.

"Now is the time!"
— Wendy Dollarhyde, Senior

UP THE FOOTPATH TO SUCCESS

Business
Students
Were



Determined
to Beat
the Odds

"My mouse isn't working!" "My computer locked up!" "Uh-Oh! I think the entire business department has caught a deadly virus!!!" At first glance, no one would have thought that the business department could be on a pathway anywhere but down. The beginning of the school year brought confusion and quite a few headaches as classes were postponed due to computer breakdowns. For weeks, business classes left their section of the building to find empty classrooms for notetaking, while workers from the central office tried to figure out what in the world was going wrong.

"I like C.I.S. because Ms. Castle's cool!"

—Tanner Dotson, Junior

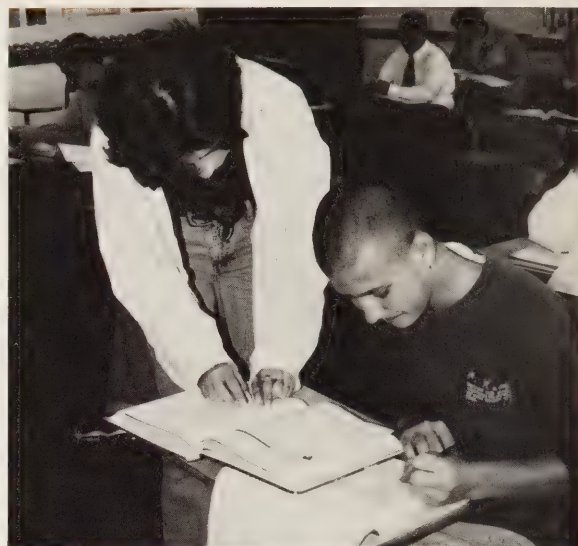
Eventually and luckily, the bugs were all worked out and students finally got their itchy fingers on the keyboards. As the year progressed, students appreciated businesses' life's lessons. "Accounting helps you realize what a business goes through by keeping documents on everything," said Sophomore Brandie Sproles. Junior Tanner Dotson just appreciated having a good teacher and exclaimed, "I like C.I.S. because Ms. Castle's cool!"

Whatever their reasons for signing up for business classes, students began to build a solid road to a successful future.

I don't get it!

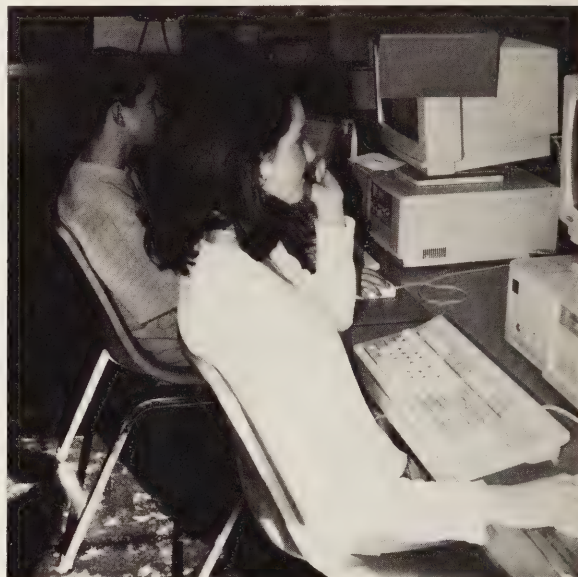
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Junior Toni Kantosos helps Junior Tyrone Kiser understand what is going on in accounting class. Students soon learned that teamwork and double-checking were invaluable when it came to keeping accurate records.



Having a
little
fun...

Eighth Graders Tracey Evans and Wesley Hall seem to enjoy taking a break from typing to play games during keyboarding class. The keyboarding classes learned the basics of typing as well as a few business skills.



You want us to do what?? ... Eighth grader John Hall starts his keyboarding assignment while classmate Davis Robinson asks a question. This fundamental class became crucial as technology became more available in the school. Eighth graders were given the opportunity to sign up for keyboarding a year early.

What?? No Internet today?? ... Senior Josh Kite wishes he could play games online rather than listen to a lecture in Mrs.

Allen's Advanced C.I.S. Class. Having the Internet supplied to all classrooms was a tempting

distraction. Teachers often found themselves denying access to get other important lessons done.



Can anyone help me? . . . Freshman Jason Helbert raises his hand for assistance during the Spanish Class's trip to the Computer Lab, while the other members of the class seem oblivious to his dilemma as they continue to type and talk away. Occasionally, teachers found time during the six weeks to take their classes to the Computer Lab to work on various projects.



TECHNOLOGY ON THE WARPATH

The Computer Lab Really Meant Business

It was a dilemma that began like this: your teacher assigned a research project of some sort, leaving you to hunt for all kinds of information. Oh no! What was there to do? Never fear! It was simply time to take a trip to the trusty Computer Lab for the goods on whatever topic any teacher threw at you.

Equipped with 23 working computers, all Internet-Accessible, including a multitude of educational software and typing programs, the Computer Lab was the number one source for students looking to do research. Students were also able to compile their information and thoughts into printed documents using various typing programs.

So, what did the students have to say about this cache of knowledge and usefulness that was known as the Computer Lab? *"The Computer Lab is very beneficial to students because it is a good source of information,"* said Senior Amanda Grizzle. Junior Brandi Booker added *"The Computer Lab has been extremely helpful to me in classes such as English, journalism, and Spanish. Computers are a great learning tool!"*

Needless to say, the student body saw what great opportunities the Computer Lab offered. They used this great resource as a powerful research weapon and went on a warpath, conquering each obstacle along the way.



"We are slowly getting more appropriate software that should help to prepare the students for the state S.O.L. test, and it is our hope that the teachers will take advantage of the lab and software."

—Herman Hodges, Computer Coordinator

Logging on to the net . . . Freshmen Charm Herndon and Audrea Sanders search for a topic online in the Computer Lab. The Internet was provided for all students who had to do research in the Computer Lab, and was also, for the first time, installed in each and every classroom throughout the school.

WHEN ASKED TO NAME ONE ADVANTAGE OF HAVING THE COMPUTER LAB:

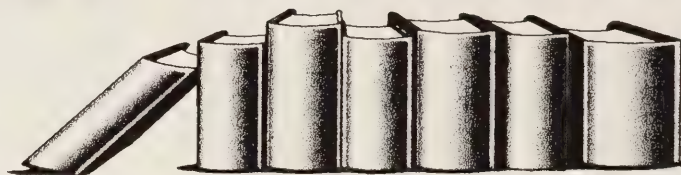
34 out of 49 students surveyed said, "Internet access." 12 replied, "Having an excuse to get out of class." 2 answered, "More encyclopedias," and one said, "More study guides."



"I like it because I don't have to study for it, and I get to play ball!"
—Cody Cress, Eighth Grader



PULP NON-FICTION



Take an Open Book Quiz

1. In the game of badminton, participants used a:
 - A. bat.
 - B. racket.
 - C. crowbar.
 - D. spatula.
2. A free-throw shot in the game of basketball was worth:
 - A. 1 point.
 - B. 20 points.
 - C. 500 points.
 - D. 2 points.
3. To punt the ball in football, the punter used his or her:
 - A. head.
 - B. foot.
 - C. elbow.
 - D. thumb.
4. The physical fitness test that required upper body strength was:
 - A. war ball.
 - B. v-sit-and-reach.
 - C. pull-ups.
 - D. sit-ups.

"It's a lot of fun because we don't have to sit in a desk all day!"

—Lauren Wallace, Eighth Grader



OUT OF THE WOODWORK AND IN SHAPE

Students Learned Sports FUNDamentals in P.E.

Physical Education . . . it was a time to take a break from the regular classes, to get up and stretch those muscles by exercising and playing various sports, right? So it seemed for many phys. ed. students, who ranged from grades eight through ten. When asked his opinion about P.E., Sophomore Bryan Vencill stated, "It's better than sitting in class and listening to the teachers!"

Both girls and boys also enjoyed participating in such athletic activities as basketball, frisbee football, hockey and volleyball. "I like to play badminton in P.E. because it's a fairly easy game to play, for some people," commented Sophomore Jason Meade.

With the size capacity of the J.E. Carter Gymnasium, there was more than enough room for badminton and much more, and equipment was required in order to play all the various sports offered in P.E.. The gym had one basketball goal on each end and appropriate lines on the floor so the players could truly enjoy a great game. A ping-pong table was easily set up for a quick round of one-on-one, and a metal cage in the coaches' office contained every athlete's dream — plenty of basketballs, volleyballs, and soccerballs to satisfy any player. With the right equipment and all of that space, physical education was a great chance to get in shape while having fun.



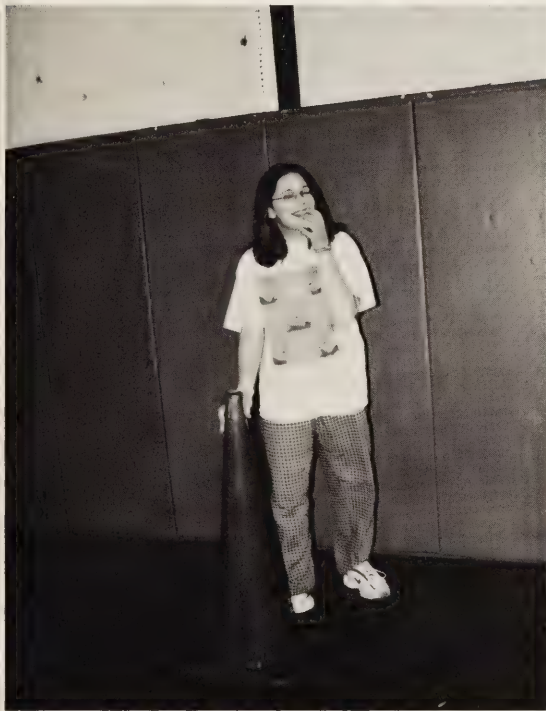
Bicep builders . . . Eighth graders Trista Hicks and Alicia King do some push-ups on the old gym floor during P.E.. Physical fitness tests were a very important measurement of strength, agility, and speed that each student participated in during the year. As Physical Education Teacher Brenda Johnston explained, "The girls have been working really hard to achieve their goals set for each test." Both boys' and girls' P.E. classes took time away from play and fun to participate in these worthwhile activities.





Does this car have snow tires? . . . Sophomores Amanda Taylor and Amy Puckett get in the drivers' ed. car in preparation to practice driving during flurry conditions. Drivers' education students found it worthwhile to learn how to drive in all sorts of weather conditions.

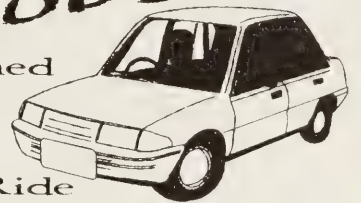
Safety first . . . Sophomores Heidi Bartee and Amanda Chafin brush up on their driving rules in the old gym. Students in drivers' education class soon learned that before they could get behind the wheel, they first had to study in the classroom.



What is this doing here? . . . Sophomore Brandie Sproules seems amused to find an orange cone sitting on the gym floor. Drivers' education students later found themselves maneuvering around these fluorescent objects in order to prove their driving abilities.

OVER THE HILLS AND THROUGH THE WOODS

Students Learned How Drivers' Education was Such a Wild Ride

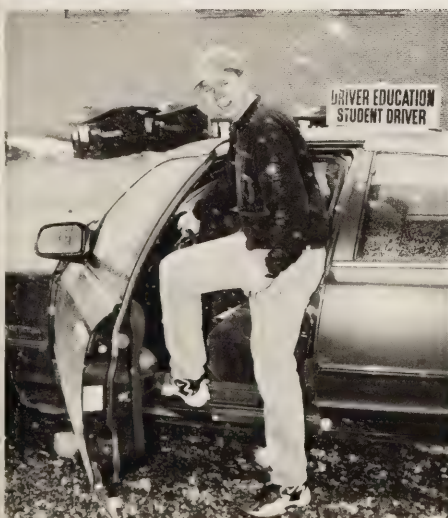


Remember your first experience driving a car? Think back even further to when you *pretended* to drive a car. We all share common recollections of wishing that plastic pink Barbie Jeep or that bright yellow Tonka truck was big enough to take off in, screeching the tires all the way and tasting that moment of complete freedom! Well, freshmen and sophomores finally got the chance to drive the real thing, even if it did include Coach Allen or Jones in the passenger seat watching their every move!

Most got a little nervous when they finally got behind the wheel, but the majority of drivers' education students found the experience exhilarating. *"It was really fun learning how to drive!"* recalled Freshman Josh Banner. Fellow classmate Sheena Austin added, *"I think it's a cool experience; it enables you to learn how to drive."*

"I think it's a cool experience; it enables you to learn how to drive."
—Sheena Austin, Freshman

Ready and rearing to go! . . . Freshman Jamey Castle steps into the drivers' ed. car with instructor Coach Tom Allen for another turn at driving. Students were excused during various times of the day to meet the behind the wheel requirements before taking their driving tests. Students drove with either Coach Allen or Coach Morley Jones. Although this was at times a nerve-racking experience, most students looked forward to such practice.



No matter how each student imagined actually sliding into the seat and taking the wheel for the first time would be, nothing prepared them for the real thing.

BRANCHING

Clubs and Other Groups Went Out on a Limb Out
and Found Ways to Earn Some Green . . .

With Some Help From the Community

FUNDRAISING!!!! When students heard that word, they usually responded by running to the hills. This huge responsibility created sweaty palms and nervous anxiety. However, no one could escape this dreaded task. Clubs survived by raising the cold hard cash. To even **join a club**, a student had to be willing to sell their wares and request donations. **Clubs held meetings** to plan fundraising and ways to **spend** their hard-earned dough. **Club officers and sponsors** used some of their money to **celebrate holidays and lend a helping hand** to both the **community and its youth**. Clubs were also required to self-fund various **field trips to competitions**; yet they also found some time to have some **fun and games**.

Clubs weren't the only ones who had to raise money. Classes, teams, and other groups found themselves racking their brains trying to come up with a creative, yet quick way to fundraise. Perhaps one of the groups who knew this best was the Yearbook Staff. They took on the enormous responsibility of selling **advertising** space to local businesses so that this yearbook could become a reality.

It was no surprise that in order to have a successful and productive school, one first needed a generous and supportive community. Clubs and students alike branched out and found the support they needed. Without this, they all would have truly found themselves both broke *and* out on a limb!

Mug shot . . . The Yearbook Staff breaks the golden rule of photography by "mugging" for the camera before leaving to sell ads. Pictured are Jessica McCulley, Amanda Saddler, Justin Worley, Ashley Mays, Jamie Honaker, Brandi Booker, Lorena Kiser, Veronica Mays, Katy Dickenson, Alesha Roberts, Travis Nash, Shane Lambert, Tonya Amos, Chasity Chafin, Natasha Fields, and Wendy Dollarhyde. This staff enjoyed the chance to leave the confines of 103 and venture out into the community to raise funds for journalism class. Local businesses' contributions and support proved invaluable when budgeting the many costs of yearbook publishing.



Clubs, Ads & Community Divider



Community catering . . .

Members of the Football Team and Cheerleading Squad enjoy a scrumptious meal, sponsored by First Virginia Bank, before returning to the field for a home game against Holston.

Athletic teams, as well as academic organizations, were supported by the community and area businesses throughout the school year with a variety of monetary, as well as edible, contributions. The Annual Tailgate Party, shown above, was a favorite that the football team looked forward to . . . hungrily.

Masquerade . . .

Sophomore Ray Mullins looks proud of his Mardi Gras mask, while Sophomore Amy Puckett, Freshmen Alishia Cox and Courtney King, and Eighth Grader Cody Cress laugh and enjoy the refreshments during a French Club Meeting. The Mardi Gras celebration was a first for the French Club, and it allowed students to learn about another culture while wearing elaborate masks and beads and having a fun time.

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Creative minds at work . . . Eighth Graders Melissa Hensley, Trista Hicks, and Megan Amburgey discuss and write down ideas for future SODA Club meetings in the home ec. suite. Many students joined the SODA Club because they thought it would be a good experience to be role models for younger children. Some of the club's activities included an Easter egg hunt, and a Christmas party.

Why in the World Should I Join a Club?

Students had Different Reasons
for Joining Clubs

Which clubs should I join?
This was a question most students pondered at the beginning of the year. They weighed their options: would it be the FBLA, Ecology, or SADD Club? Or how about a foreign language club? There were many to choose from, and there were various reasons for joining each one.

Students were motivated to join clubs based on the different activities each one planned.

Students joined clubs to aid others and support the school. For Eighth Grader Asha Patrick, the reason for joining SADD was simple, *"It's fun and helpful to others."*

"It's fun and helpful to others."
—Asha Patrick,
SADD member

Many clubs visited rest homes and also gave guidance to elementary kids. *"I've always enjoyed helping kids, and I feel like I'm making a difference,"* said PALS member Megan Amburgey. Many differences were made thanks to club members.

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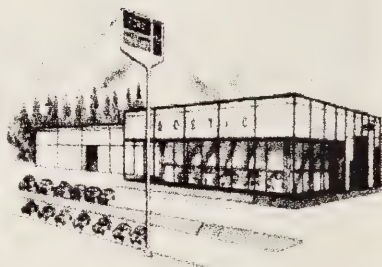
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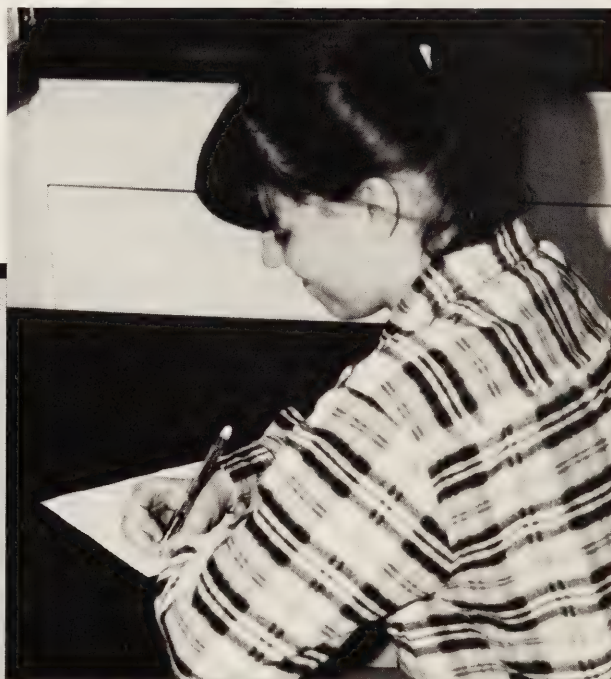
Students Met Requirements for Joining Clubs

Joining a club was not as easy as one might think. Some clubs required potential members to come to interviews and submit resumes. Other club members had to sell a certain amount of fun-draising items to join. Sophomore Brandie Sproles remembers that she had to "write an application and go for a long interview," before being admitted to the SODA Club. However, not every club was this complicated to join.

"I had to write an application and go for a long interview."
—Brandie Sproles,
Sophomore

As Freshman Nicole Baker said, "It's easy to join the Ecology Club, we just had to attend the meetings." However, even the clubs that simply required attendance to join had terms of membership for their members.

Even after being admitted, students had to keep up with the requirements of their clubs or risk being kicked out of them. Membership processes definitely made for dedicated members.



In my opinion . . . Sophomore Cindy Bradley completes her Ecology Club essay in Mrs. Hackney's room. Writing an essay about why they would like to members of the Ecology Club was a requirement for new members. Just about all clubs required new members, and sometimes old ones, to carry-out some type of initiation process.

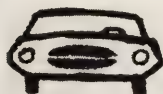
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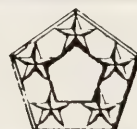
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Clubs Spent Endless
Hours Fundraising



Nice doing business with you . . . Sophomore Amanda Taylor purchases a sweatshirt from Eighth Grader Nikki Blanton. The SCA sold oodles of the sweatshirts with the school logo on them. The sweatshirts were a popular item, especially during Homecoming Week. At twenty dollars per sweatshirt, this turned out to be a great fundraiser for the SCA.

Fundraising! The ominous word filled the halls again and again. Students were forced to sell anything from sweatshirts to candy. On any given day, a student could be found pedaling their wares in the halls. "I hate fundraising, but considering I'm Secretary-Treasurer of the French Club, I felt obligated," said Freshman Courtney King. Fundraising was obviously not a highlight of club affairs, but it had to be done.

"Fundraising is hard work, but seeing students I've known and worked with for four years experience Yellowstone will be worth it."

—Jackie Hackney,
Ecology Club Sponsor

Most clubs had decided early how to spend their profits. "Fundraising is hard work, but seeing students I've known and worked with for four years experience Yellowstone will be worth it," said Ecology Club Sponsor Jackie Hackney.

Through donations from community businesses and the diligence and determination of club members, many happy purchases and memorable trips were made.

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Group Gathering

Clubs Held Meetings to Keep
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Each month, clubs gathered to discuss old and new business. Club officers followed proper procedures when it came to club business. Usually, the meetings started with the club president calling the meeting to order. Then, the secretary took roll and read the minutes of the previous meeting. Clubs also held meetings throughout the year to elect officers and homecoming attendants, and to vote on other club matters.

"My favorite thing about club meetings is we do lots of activities."
—Cole Osborne,
Spanish Club

"Club meetings give me a chance to act like a kid, which is nothing new for me, but I could do it in the right element!," joked SODA Member Wendy Dollarhyde.

Seeing meetings as a chance to act childish was just one viewpoint. *"My favorite thing about club meetings is we do lots of activities,"* said Spanish

Club Member Cole Osborne.

No matter what students liked most, these meetings were necessary to get business done.



What did she say? . . . Juniors Chasity Chafin, Tanner Dotson, Ashley Addington, and Freshman Jessica Clevinger seem a little surprised during an Ecology Club meeting in Mrs. Hackney's room. Club meetings often involved more listening than talking and were altered monthly to eliminate conflicts for those students who were members of more than one club.

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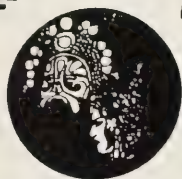
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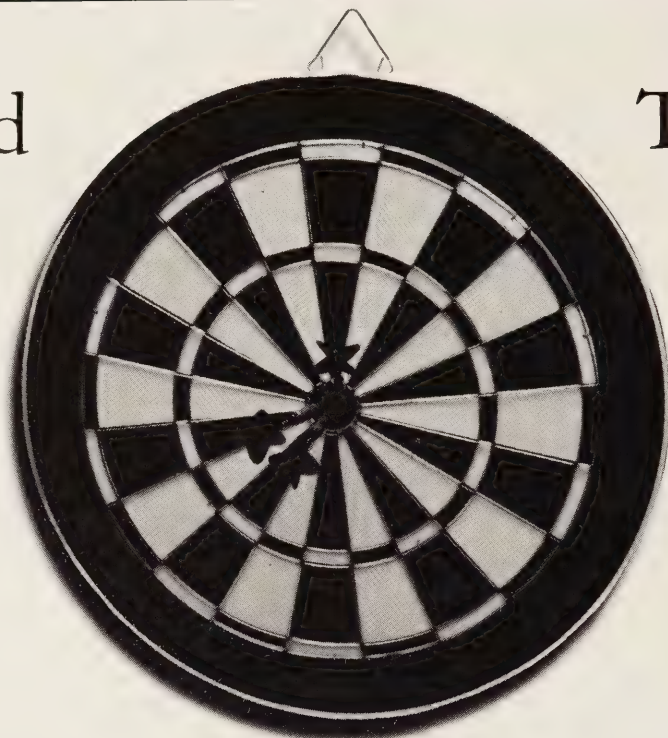
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Oui, oui mademoiselle! . . . Mrs. Stevenson is happy to answer any questions the members of the French Club might ask during their meeting in the old cafeteria. Mrs. Stevenson found the time to sponsor not just one club, but *two*. As French Club Sponsor and Beta Club Sponsor, she knew just how much toilsome work it took to make a club successful.

Being a club sponsor was no easy job. Sponsors had to make time in their own schedules to attend meetings and help clubs with their business. Club sponsors went the extra mile to aid their clubs.

SCA Sponsor Caroline Sabo said, *"The SCA works hard to make life better for students.*

(The candy helps!)" Ms. Sabo sold candy in her room and allowed her classes to be interrupted regularly to raise SCA funds.

Sponsoring a club also meant a lot of dedicated time and consideration for the club members.

"Being a FHA sponsor means helping students gain responsibility and make their own decisions," said

FHA Sponsor Mary Lou Bevins.

Many times sponsors did club business and prepared for meetings

after school. Sponsors didn't always take the credit for the success of their clubs, but they often deserved it.

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In Season

Clubs Celebrated Holidays

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An exciting time that club members looked forward to were special holidays. Christmas was the busiest time of the year for clubs, but all the effort club members put forth was well worth it.

"White Christmas was a very successful project that raised lots of extra money for teenagers that did not have as much as others. This was worthwhile for me to give to someone that was less fortunate," said SCA Vice President McKinsey Huff.

"I think the Christmas Card Drive was for a very good and worthy cause."

—Josh Kite, Senior

The Spanish Club participated in a Christmas parade and took fruit baskets to the elderly, and the FBLA held a Christmas Card Drive that benefited St.

Jude's Children's Hospital. "I think the Christmas Card Drive was for a very good and worthy cause," said Senior Josh Kite. The

FBLA also sold DataMatch cards for Valentine's Day.

No matter what the holiday, clubs knew the right way to celebrate it.



Y—M—C—A! . . . Seniors Jared Coffey and Wesley Mullins, Junior Jeff Stevens, and Senior Darrell Taylor present their version of *The Village People* during the FBLA's Halloween Contest. These drama students won first place and twenty five dollars. They also won the attention of the entire student body and had everyone dancing and singing along with them.

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Around These Woods

Clubs Ventured into the Real World to Lend a Helping Hand



Cha ching ! . . . Senior Justin Collins helps Mrs. McCoy count money in the elementary office. Each member of the FBLA that wanted to participate in the work program had to first go for a job interview. Workers went a week at a time during their business class or study hall.

Being a club member often meant more than just attending meetings at school. Members of all clubs volunteered their services to community organizations and projects. "As a community service project, the French and Beta Clubs undertook to ring the bell for the Salvation Army," said

French Club and Beta Club Sponsor Deborah Stevenson. The FHA visited rest homes and the FBLA donated food to the local Bread Basket Program.

"Working at the elementary school has given me an idea of what a real job is like."

—Jessica McCulley,
Junior

The SADD's Prom Promise Project was once again a success.

"SADD's Prom Promise is a good community service because it keeps teenagers safe on prom night," said

Junior Courtney Jessee. Volunteering was a way of not only giving, but receiving.

Members of FBLA gained job skills by working in the elementary school office. "Working at the elementary school has given me an idea of what a real job is like," added Junior Jessica McCulley.

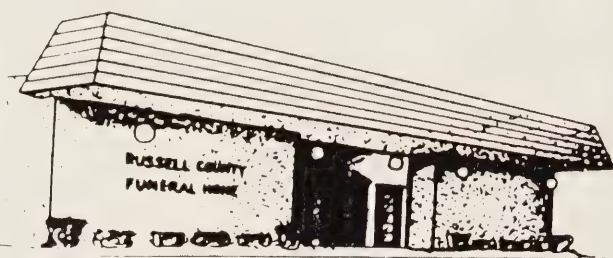
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Being selected as a club officer was considered by students to be a very cool thing. It gave them a sense of authority, leadership, and responsibility. Club officers also felt that by being the "head honchos" they really represented the togetherness of the members of their club. Spanish Club Vice President David Crabtree stated, "My favorite part of the Spanish Club is when all of us got together and went to Los Arcos and ate."

"I will be proud to wear the gold tassel and stroll at graduation, because it represents all of my academic achievements."

—Alesha Roberts,
Beta Club Vice President

For Seniors, being a club officer meant something extra special. It was their chance to really leave their mark with their club. Some students waited three or four years before becoming the leader of a club. It was a rewarding experience. As Beta Club Vice President Alesha Roberts said, "I will be proud to wear the gold tassel and stroll at graduation, because it represents all of my academic achievements."



Sit down and listen up . . . Spanish Club Officers Matt Justice and Jennifer White take charge during a Spanish Club meeting in the auditorium. Good leadership abilities were a must for any club officer. Being an officer also meant preparing and planning for club meetings.

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Merry Christmas! . . . Sophomores Heidi Bartee and Ashley Patrick present a Barbie doll to Courtney McClellan. Each year the FHA distributed gifts purchased with money from their White Christmas fund. Many presents were given at the Christmas party, which was held in the home economics suite during this special time.



Breakin' the Bank

Clubs Knew How to Raise Money and Spend It

Spending money was not a hard task for clubs, but agreeing on exactly how to spend it was. Different clubs had different needs for money. Many purchases were already decided on in advance. "Our club dues of \$30 went towards purchasing our Beta pins, tassels, and official cards," said Junior

Beta member Chasity Chafin.

Even with all the purchases that had to be made, clubs still had money left for extra projects.

"Our club dues of \$30 went towards purchasing Beta pins, tassels, and official cards."

—Chasity Chafin,
Junior

The members of the SCA voted to take on two rather large and very expensive projects. "This year the SCA collected over \$1,000 for White Christmas. The

SCA's major project this year is to save money for the new sound system in the auditorium," said SCA President Jonathan Cozzolino.

Money was definitely not an easy thing to come by, but as long as club members were raising the dough, they were sure to be spending it!

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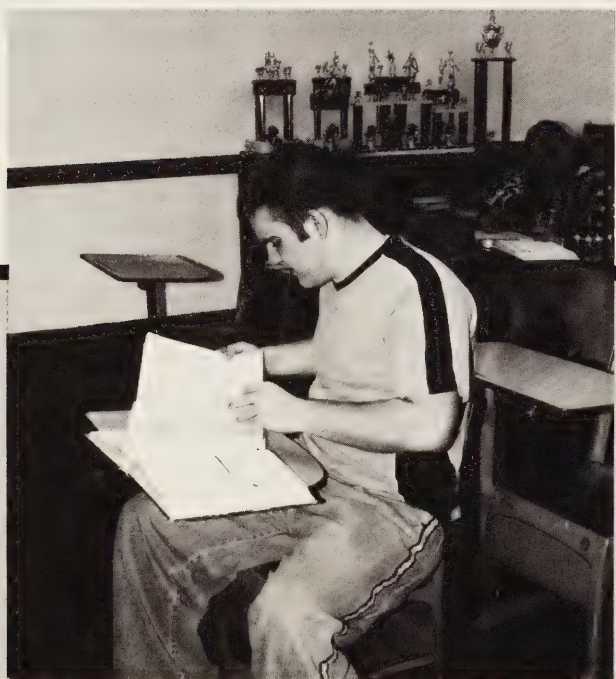
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Master mathematician . . . Junior Eric Ervin practices for his FBLA competition test in Accounting I. All that studying paid off — Eric won 1st place at the Regional Competition. Eric along with other 1st and 2nd place winners Stephanie Mullins, Jared Coffey, and Melissa Hensley all earned their way to the State FBLA Competition which was held in Crystal City.



Like an Oak

FBLA Competition was
Strong

Members of the FBLA started preparing long before heading off to compete in the Regional Business Competition held at CVC. The FBLA sponsors selected members to compete in each of the competition categories.

After weeks of preparing, it was time for the competitors to put all their knowledge to use. Senior Tracy Meade stated, "*The business competition was extremely challenging!*"

"The business competition was extremely challenging!"
—Tracy Meade, Senior

Some students felt confident about the contest and others were a little unsure about their performance. "*The business competition really tested what I had learned and some things I forgot,*" said Senior Justin Collins.

At the awards ceremony, the FBLA really racked up the awards. Stephanie Mullins, Jared Coffey, Travis Jessee, Eric Ervin and first year members Megan Amburgey and Melissa Hensley all won plaques.

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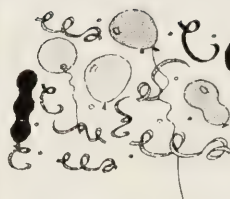
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Fun and Games



I scream, you scream, we all scream for ice cream! . . . Senior Amber Phillips gets a double scoop of ice cream, while Junior Danielle Burke digs for a cone at the FBLA meeting in the old cafeteria. Ice cream was a special privilege for FBLA members. The FBLA always seemed to be eating or playing some kind of game.

Students in clubs got to have loads of fun. Most every club started with refreshments and business, but then came the fun and games! Chase Porter, a PALS member stated, "I love being in PALS because we get to play games with the kids. They're so funny!" Chase, like many

other students, went to the elementary school during club meetings to help students. The games played with students were educational and fun.

The SODA Club also had fun. "We get to go to the elementary and play learning games with the students," said SODA member Matt Justice.

One popular game many clubs enjoyed playing at the end of meetings was charades. Many memorable performances were

given during these gatherings.

Students looked forward to meetings for humor. They enjoyed fun and games as a break from the boredom of routine.

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Hit the Road

Club Members Enjoyed a Little
Traveling Time

With field trips being nearly completely cut-out, getting to go on a trip, any trip, big or small, was an extra special event for club members. Some clubs went to explore new territory while others went back to visit places they had already seen. "After the wonderful experience we had at Los Arcos last year, my kids couldn't wait to go back for more!"

—Deanna Proffitt, Spanish Club Sponsor

"After the wonderful experience we had at Los Arcos last year, my kids couldn't wait to go back for more!," commented Spanish Club Sponsor Deanna Proffitt.

The Ecology Club ventured across the United States to Yellowstone National Park. It was difficult to raise money for such a big trip, but they just remembered what a great trip it would be. "I wanted to go because I've always wanted to go to Yellowstone and thought it would be fun!," said Junior Michael Sutherland.

Traveling was limited for clubs, and they greatly appreciated the outings they did take.

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In Training

The Basketball Team

Took Time Out to Teach
the Youth of the
Community

Before one becomes a basketball star, someone must teach him the game, and that is just what the Varsity Boys' Basketball Team did. *"The Youth Basketball Program is good in that it gives young kids the opportunity to learn to play the game,"* said Sophomore James Kring. The team took the extra

"A lot of people put in time teaching me how to play the game, and now it is my turn to put in the time and teach them," said Senior Adam Sargent. It was a rewarding experience for

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—Adam Sargent,
Senior

Adam as well as the other team members to serve as role models to the youth of the community.

Patience is the key . . . Junior Josh Bradley gives pointers on how to dribble a basketball to a member of the Youth Basketball League. The Youth Basketball League taught fundamentals of the game as well as good sportsmanship. With the help of parents and coaches, the league also hosted a basketball tournament for area little league teams.

time out of their already busy schedules to teach the basics of the game to elementary kids, kindergarten through 7th grade.

The members of the team felt good about teaching the kids that would be basketball players for their school and maybe even the pros!

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Stephanie,

We wanted to send you a little message to let you know how proud we are of you. You are a very special girl and we know you can achieve all your dreams. Congratulations and Best Wishes in all you do. Remember that you will always be our little girl and we will always be here for you.
We Love You!

Mamaw,
Sue-Sue,
Nona,
and Kim



Standing Out

SENIOR SADD & PALS/SODA Members Aided Others

To most students, becoming a Senior was a cherished privilege. It allowed them to demonstrate their "Seniority" and help others. Students Against Drunk Driving used its Senior members to demonstrate the importance of not drinking and driving. Senior SODA/ PALS members also used their "high school know-how" to aid younger elementary school students. Seniors in these clubs set out to make a difference.

"Being the only Senior in SODA is great! Seniority rules and the kids are great!"

—Wendy Dollarhyde

"Those who stand out to prevent drunk driving are real heroes," said Jonathan Cozzolino. The SADD Club Seniors used the experience of having one prom behind them to assist others in making good decisions on prom night. Senior PALS/SODA members helped elementary kids by acting as mentors. Wendy Dollarhyde said, *"Being the only Senior in SODA is great! Seniority rules and the kids are great!"*



Senior SADD Members . . . Jonathan Cozzolino, Jessica Fields, and Lori Tittle, and Senior PALS/SODA Members . . . Jonathan Cozzolino and Wendy Dollarhyde.

Memorable Outings

SENIOR FBLA Members Enjoyed Final Memories



Senior FBLA members . . . FRONT ROW: Amanda Saddler, Lori Tittle, Travis Jessee, Brianne Casteel, Josh Kite, and Roy Couch. SECOND ROW: Jimmy Hobbs, Amanda Vicars, Amber Phillips, Natasha Fields, Stephanie Mullins, Tracy Meade, Brandon Willis, and Justin Wallace. BACK ROW: Jared Coffey. Count your pennies . . . Seniors Josh Kite and Brandon Willis count change in Mrs. Jessee's room for their ever-growing FBLA account.

Senior members of the FBLA were offered a variety of activities to enjoy. From competitions to fun meetings, members had a fun-filled year. Perhaps the most exciting aspect of the club was the trips. As Senior Roy Couch put it, "FBLA trips rule!" Roy, as well as many other members, participated in several business competitions. These competitions gave Seniors the opportunity to demonstrate their acquired business skills.

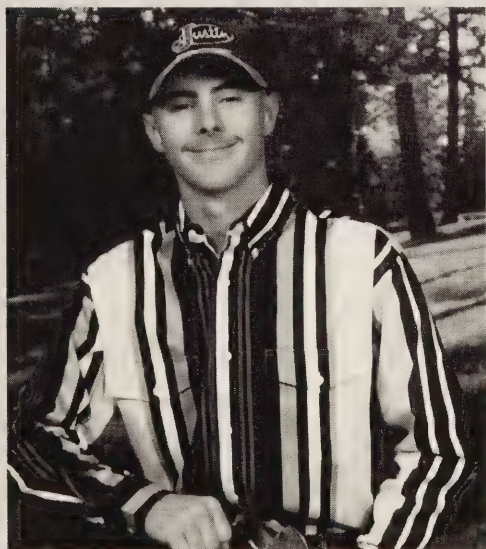
Trips were always fun, but so were the club meetings which always included delicious snacks. "We always have good food," commented Amanda Vicars. While these meetings were not exclusive to Senior members, Seniors in attendance felt that both the food parties and the trips provided a final chance to make memories. These were the last outings for Senior FBLAers; therefore, they were especially memorable.

"We always have good food!"

—Amanda Vicars

*Chad,
Praise God! No more fights in the mornings! We are very proud of you and your accomplishments. Always remember to put God first in your life and everything will run smoothly! May all of God's blessings be with you always.*

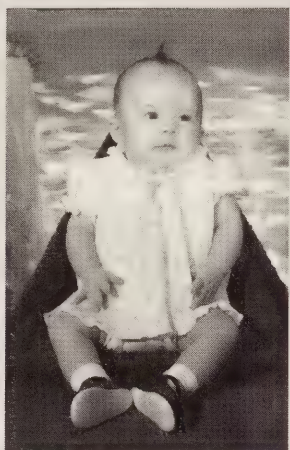
*We love you,
Dad, Mom, Beth, and Talor*



*Tonya and Jonathan,
Congratulations!
We love you,
Carolyn, Missy, and
Courtney*

Wendy, we've known each other for so long and I've grown to love you so much. You will go far in this world if you keep your crazy but lovable personality. Don't you ever forget me, God knows I'll never forget you. May God bless you in the future.

*I Love You,
Alesha*



Tonya,
Congratulations!
Words can not express how proud we
are of you and your achievements.
We admire and respect the person
you have become.
Love,
Mom and Dad

Alesha, Graduation time has rolled
around. You have made us so very
proud. Seek God's face in all you do.
Keep focus on your hopes and dreams
for they are worth having.
We love you much,
Mom and Robbie

Justin C., Congratulations!
We're proud of you Justin.
Here's hoping you do as well
in college and the rest of
your life. We Love You!
Mom and Dad

Natural Style

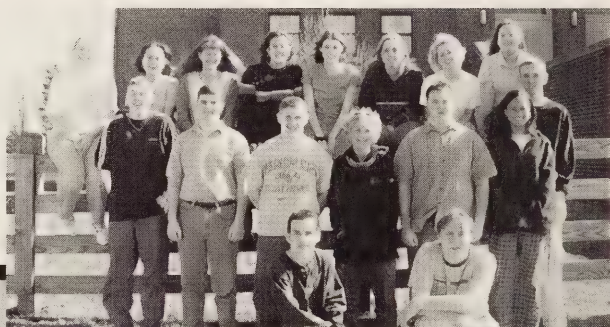
SENIOR SCA Members Added a Stylish Flair

Senior members of SCA helped out younger students and provided new looks for the school. They made their Senior year great by setting trends for the school's environment. Brianne Casteel stated, "Being a Senior in the SCA was great because I got to decorate for Homecoming and make everything look great for my final year." The SCA members offered tips for coordinating blue and white in different ways.

"Being a Senior in the SCA was great because I got to decorate for Homecoming and make everything look great for my final year."

—Brianne Casteel

Senior club members took great pride in decorating and raising money for the school. They quickly learned that to apply their ideas, each would have to put forth a great effort. They also organized special projects for the less fortunate as well as the school. Senior Travis Jessee added, "I liked it because we got to help people like with *White Christmas* and *School Beautiful*." Senior SCA members followed a long road of helping their "posterity" and left the school with a touch of style.



Senior SCA members . . . FRONT ROW: Mickey Collins, and Roy Couch. MIDDLE ROW: Brandon Willis, Jonathan Cozzolino, Jared Coffey, Amanda Vicars, Josh Kite, and Alesha Roberts. BACK ROW: Crystal Smith, Tracy Meade, Veronica Mays, Brianne Casteel, Stephanie Mullins, Amber Phillips, Lori Tittle, Amanda Saddler, and Travis Jessee.
Oh Christmas Tree . . . Senior SCA members Jonathan Cozzolino, Travis Jessee, Amanda Vicars, Jessica Fields, Lori Tittle, and Veronica Mays participate in the annual trimming of the tree in the school foyer.



Senior French and Spanish Club members . . . FRONT ROW: Vicky Collins, Amanda Vicars, Amber Phillips, and Amanda Mays. BACK ROW: Mickey Collins, Jared Coffey, Stephanie Mullins, Brianne Casteel, Tonya Amos, and David Puckett. Senior server . . . Third year Spanish student and club member Tonya Amos, takes charge during a club meeting and makes sure Juniors David Crabtree and Amy Phillips have all the sodas poured.

Foreign Affairs

SENIOR French & Spanish Club Members Became Cultured

"J'aime le cercie francais," was Brianne Casteel's way of saying that she loved being a member of the French Club. Members of the club enjoyed French cuisine and Mardi Gras crafts. Most of the Senior French Club members learned about French culture by being involved in French classes during their high school career.

This played a major role in their founding of the club two years earlier.

Spanish Club Seniors also had an enjoyable year. They had their annual dinner at Los Arcos. They also made fruit baskets for the Maple Grove Nursing Home. Winning first prize in the Lebanon Christmas Parade for their elaborately decorated float was another grand achievement.

Amanda Mays stated, *"Being a Senior member of the Spanish Club is cool because we get to make major decisions about the club."*

"Being a Senior member of the Spanish Club is cool because we get to make major decisions about the club."

—Amanda Mays

Travis, as you go through life always remember, you have made us proud to be your parents. We love you and will always be there for you.

*Love,
Mom and Dad*



Jessica Faith, our beautiful daughter. Congratulations! We couldn't be more proud. Here's hoping all the roads you journey will be successful ones. We love you more than words can say.
Mom and Dad

*Love,
Congratulations on a job well done! You're a wonderful daughter and we're proud to be your parents.
Love,
Mom & Dad*



CNS

98-99

YEARZINE

CHECK OUT THE Year's Top HeadLines!

Yearbook Honors



"It was very rewarding to know that our yearbook was one of the best in the state!"

—Amanda Saddler, Senior

"It felt great being part of a group of people who excelled and won 1st place."

—Alesha Roberts, Senior

"I was very proud to stand by my fellow yearbook staffers and our dedicated advisor, Mrs. Gibson, in winning the VHSL award for our work on the yearbook."

—Tonya Amos, Senior

VHSL Yearbook 1st Place Ranking, Returning Seniors . . .
Amanda Saddler, Natasha Fields, Veronica Mays, Alesha Roberts, Tonya Amos



State FBIA

BUSINESS WINNER

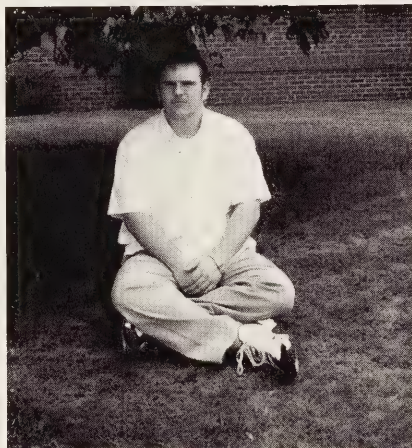
"My favorite part about winning State was getting a trip to Chicago!"

—Eric Ervin, Sophomore

"Eric is a very impressive young man who represents FBIA and the Business Departments very well."

—Sherry Allen, FBIA Sponsor and Business Teacher

Accounting 1 State Winner . . . Eric Ervin



State FORENSICS HONORS

"It was an honor competing at State Forensics because I had a chance to represent Castleton High School."

—Durrell Taylor, Senior

"My forensic State memory was seeing Katy being her spunky self at 6:30 in the morning."

—Jared Coffey, Senior

"My forensic State memory was Jared Coffey running around with a headband and carrying a Camcorder."

—Katy Dickenson, Senior

"It was really exciting competing at State because of all the hard competition."

—Courtney Jesse, Junior

State Forensics Winners . . .
Jared Coffey, Courtney Jesse, Katy Dickenson, and Durrell Taylor.



ALL-STATE VOLLEYBALL HONORS

All-State Volleyball Team Members . . .
Brienne Casreel and Natasha Fields.

"Being named to the All-State Team was a great privilege. I would not have done it without Coach Allen and my teammates."

—Brienne Casreel, Senior

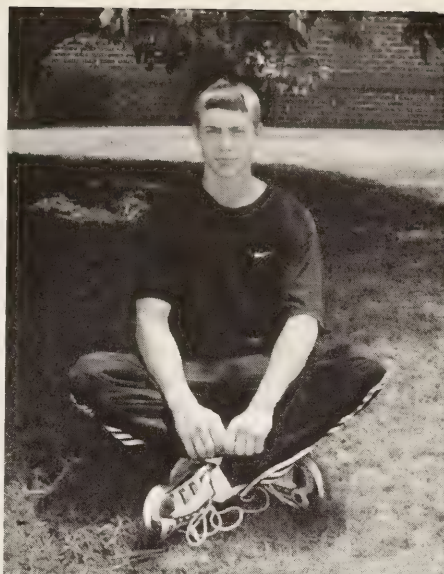
"It was an honor to be named to the All-State Team after we worked hard to make it to the State Quarter Finals."

—Natasha Fields, Senior



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CHS yearZINE



ALL-State Basketball

HONORABLE MENTION

"It was great being named honorable mention to the All-state Basketball Team."

—Josh Bradley, Junior

"It was a great honor, but with a lot of hard work I expect him to be first team All-State next season." —Randy Poole,

Basketball Head Coach
All-State Basketball Honorable Mention (far left) . . .

Josh Bradley



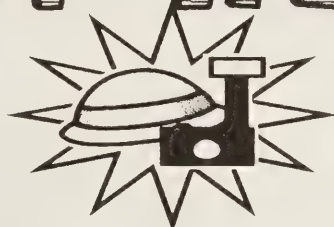
State Track HONORS

"It was tough placing in state, I just hope I do better next year." —James Kring, Sophomore
"We'll settle for seventh but we would have liked to have been bigger."

—Larry Shortt, Track Coach

State Track, 7th in High Jump, (near left) . . . James Kring

CHS 98-99 MOST MEMORABLE MOMENT



"Safari Jane" Was Queen of the Jungle!! . . . Or Was that King of the Jungle?!!



How did it feel to win Mr. CHS?

"I always knew I was Mr. CHS — now I have an award to prove it!"

What was the most difficult and/or interesting aspect of your costume?

"Knowing half of the community would see my belly."

Do you have any advice for anyone who wishes to compete for the title next year?

"Don't try to follow in my footsteps because I am the greatest!"

What do you plan to do during your reign as Mr. CHS?

"Educate others on the importance of the coconut."

Mr. CHS and Escort . . . Seniors Jared Coffey, a.k.a. "Safari Jane," and Jonathan Cozzolino.

Jessica, Congratulations! We're very proud of you. We count our blessings every day for you. You are Dad's Cowgirl, a "Big Sis," and a Mother's Best Friend all in one special person.

**We Love You,
Dad, Mom, Derek, & Zak**



**Senior Football Players:
"Thanks for your years of
dedication to the
Football Program!"**



—Coach Roberson

Stacey, our friendship has created so many memories that will last a lifetime. You've been like a sister to me and I thank you. Your friendship means a lot to me. We will be friends forever, I promise. Remember me always and I'll do the same.

I Love You, Alesha

Survival of the Fittest

SENIOR Beta Members Had to Prove Themselves

Being a Senior member of the Beta Club was a great honor and very rewarding for those students that participated. Most Senior members worked hard all through high school to achieve the honor of being in the Beta Club. Honoring the club was a way to recognize these devoted students for their

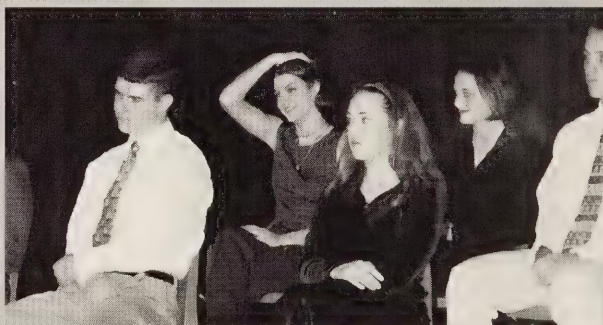
hard work and dedication. Billy Honaker agreed by saying, *"All of my hard work has paid off, and now I am a Senior Beta member."*

"All of my hard work has paid off, and now I am a Senior Beta member."

—Billy Honaker

The Senior members also taught new members all of the rules and regulations that applied to the club. Amanda Saddler stated, *"Being a Senior Beta member at the end of the year was special because you know what they say, only the strong survive!"*

It was true that it was tough to stay a part of the club, and all of the "surviving" Senior Beta Club members left a straight path for future Beta members to follow.



Senior Beta members . . . **FRONT ROW:** Amanda Saddler, Stephanie Mullins, and Crystal Smith. **BACK ROW:** Alesha Roberts, Billy Honaker, Travis Jessee, Jonathan Cozzolino, and Tonya Amos.

Stage fright . . . Some Beta members look nervous as they await their turn in front of the crowd during the Induction Ceremony in the auditorium.



National Treasures

SENIOR Ecology Club Members Prepared to Tour Yellowstone

Senior Ecology members were very excited and tired. They were excited because they were going to Yellowstone National Park at the end of the school year. They were tired because of all the hard work they had to do in order to make such a big trip successful. However, they didn't seem to

mind. *"I don't mind having to sell all the stuff, I'm getting to go to Yellowstone!"* added Brandon Willis.

The Seniors greatly appreciated everyone's support in helping them to make this trip the best. Most realized this trip would possibly be the last "field" trip with some of their closest friends. Veronica Mays said *"I think it will be a great trip although it will be the last great trip with all my friends."* This

exciting trip left Seniors with feelings of enthusiasm and adventure that will not soon be forgotten.

Senior Ecology members . . . **FRONT ROW:** Adam Sargent, Josh Kite, and Brandon Willis. **BACK ROW:** Tracy Meade, Alesha Roberts, Veronica Mays, and Crystal Smith.

Show me the money . . . Stacey Hurd counts money for the Ecology fund before leaving to earn her own cash.



Randi, What a wonderful woman you have become. Remember, favor is deceitful, and beauty is vain: But a woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised. We Love You,
Mom and Dad

Crystal, We are grateful for this opportunity to share with you and all who read this what a precious blessing you are to us.

We believe in you.
Love, Mom and Dad

Johnathan and Tonya,
We are so proud
of both of you!
Love, Grandma, Sue,
John, Christina,
and all your family



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Ecology Club . . . **FRONT ROW:** Alesha Roberts, Veronica Mays, Brandon Willis, and Melinda Breeding. **SECOND ROW:** Mrs. Hackney, Whitney Phillips, Audrea Sanders, Heidi Barree, Jennifer White, Cindy Bradley, Tracy Meade, and Adam Sargent. **THIRD ROW:** Nicole Baker, Crystal Porter, Sheena Austin, Crystal Smith, Chasity Chafin, Ashley Addington, Shannon Phillips, and Amy Barree. **BACK ROW:** Jason Meade, Carla White, Michael Sutherland, Josh Kite, Kim Salyers, Amanda Taylor, Danielle Sargent, Louise Gibson, Jessica Cain, and Tanner Dotson.



S.C.A. . . . **FRONT ROW:** Jonathan Cozzolino, Travis Jessee, and McKinsey Huff. **SECOND ROW:** Mrs. Castle, Amber Phillips, Brianne Casteel, Stephanie Mullins, Veronica Mays, Amanda Vicars, Amanda Saddler, Courtney Jessee, and Courtney King. **THIRD ROW:** Ashley Patrick, Alishia Cox, Tara Carpenter, Justin Worley, Amy Jones Tracey Evans, Lori Tittle, Crystal Smith, Tracy Meade, and Mrs. Sabo. **FOURTH ROW:** Whitney Phillips, Jared Coffey, Trista Hicks, Krista Honaker, Jessica Chafin, Jaclyn Byerley, David Crabtree, Jessica Neece, Matt Justice, Ray Mullins, Traci Poole, and Melinda Breeding. **BACK ROW:** Angela Townes, Carla White, Michael Sutherland, Mickey Collins, Brandon Willis, Kelly Paul King, Josh Kite, Tanner Dotson, and Roy Couch.

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S.O.D.A. . . **FRONT ROW:** Jennifer White, Carmen Smith, and Ashley Addington. **SECOND ROW:** Jessica Amburgey, Brandie Sproles, Lorena Kiser, Amanda Taylor, and Jessica Cain. **THIRD ROW:** Sandra Brazeros, Monica Milgrim, Matt Justice, and Thomas Barton. **BACK ROW:** Ronnie Phillips, Josh Banner, and Cole Osborne.

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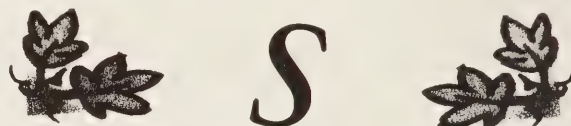
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French Club . . . FRONT ROW: Jessica Cain, Courtney King, and Ray Mullins. **SECOND ROW:** Jessica Phillips, Charlie Selfe, Wesley Hall, Amanda Johnson, Jessica McCulley, Ashley Addington, Courtney Jessee, Cody Cress, Stephanie Mullins, Brianne Casteel, Amy Puckett, and Kim Buckley. **THIRD ROW:** Amber Salyers, Heath Francis, Amber Phillips, Amanda Vicars, McKinsey Huff, Chasity Chafin, Amy Jones, Ashley Mays, Heather Salyers, Amanda Chafin, Amy Bartee, and Amanda Barton. **FOURTH ROW:** Cole Osborne, David Hileman, Jared Coffey, Brandon Bush, Danielle Holbrook, and Alishia Cox. **BACK ROW:** Carmen Smith, Travis Nash, Mark Dye, Michael Sutherland, Jes Stacy, Lorena Kiser, and Ms. Stevenson.

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FUN Fact

The most common last name in this Index was *Jessee*.

The most common name for girls was *Jessica*.

The most common name for boys was *Josh*.

Ironically, there was no one with the name
Jessica Jessee or *Josh Jessee*.



Band . . . FIRST ROW: Asten Buckles, Jason Helbert, Dustin Holbrook, Jessica Hileman, and Ryan Castle. **SECOND ROW:** Melissa Hensley, Anna Stacy, Amanda Barton, Ashley Crabtree, and Vicky Collins. **THIRD ROW:** Mickey Collins, Chris Banner, Jason White, Tara Hill, Jessica Phillips, and Mr. Knybel. **BACK ROW:** Matt Ball, Thomas Barton, Nick Stridham, Cole Osborne, Chante Proffitt, and Kellie Salyers.



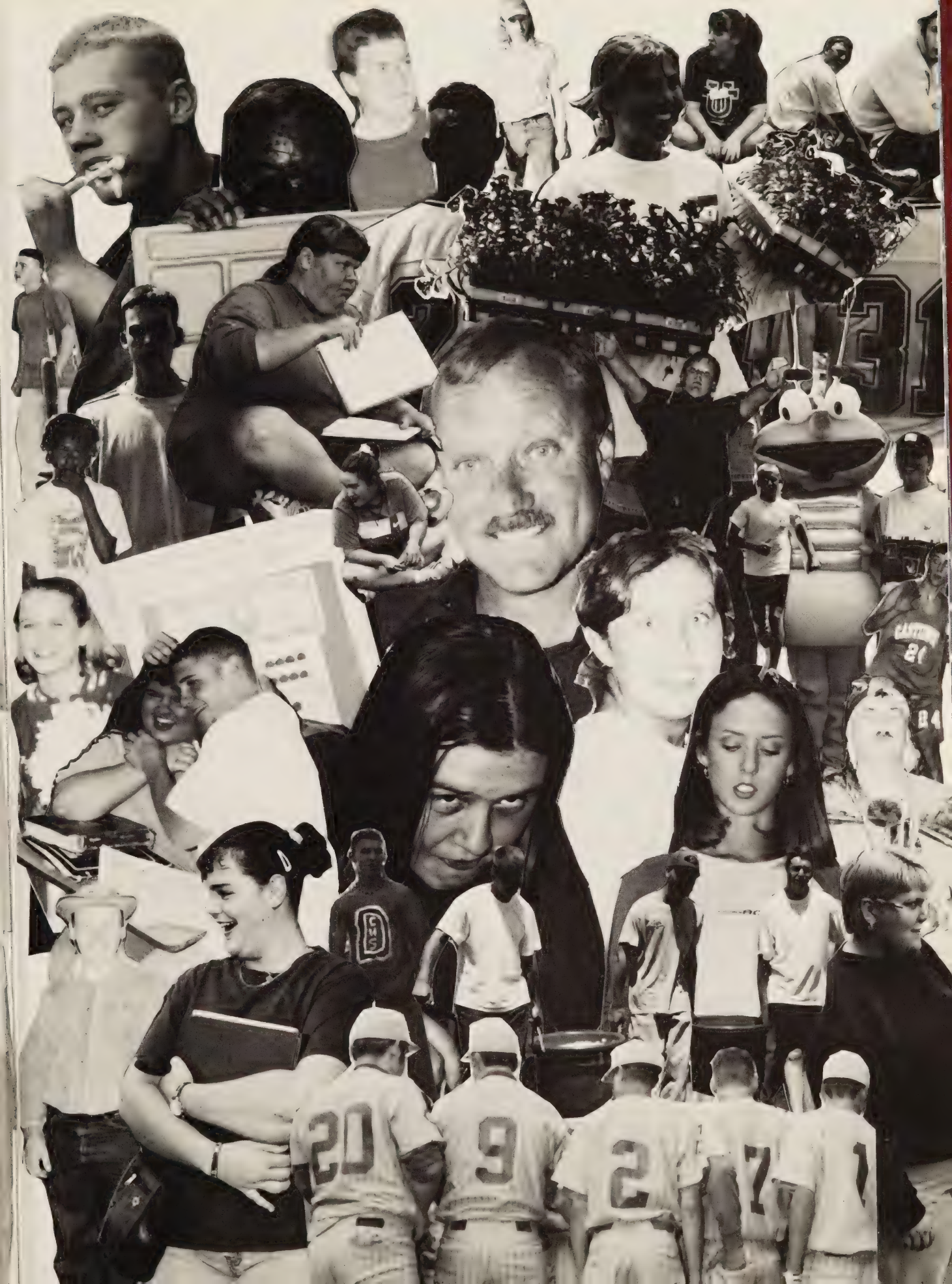
Choir . . . FRONT ROW: Danielle Burke, David Hileman, Daven Phillips, Heath Francis, and Kayla Austin. **SECOND ROW:** Jessica Neece, Jessica Hicks, Rebecca Milgrim, Crystal Porter, Jeana Willis, and Becky Meade. **THIRD ROW:** Mrs. Wright, Mickey Collins, Cameron Hall, Jonathan Cozzolino, Darrell Taylor, Matt Ball, Matt Nickles, Josh Banner, and Jimmy Hobbs. **BACK ROW:** Amber Phillips, Lori Tittle, Jessica Fields, Brianne Casteel, and Amanda Vicars.

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Take a Look at Some Last Minute Pix
That Were Just Too Good to Leave
Out!







Well Wishes

A Tribute to a Dedicated Faculty Member

This yearbook is dedicated to a teacher that come rain or shine, was always waiting with a smile as students walked into his classroom. His dedication to the school, year after year, brought him the respect of his peers and made him a favorite among the students. As Principal Roger Glovier stated, *"He has dedicated himself to his profession and his students in any way he can. He prides himself upon being loyal to Castlewood High School and its outstanding traditions.*

His values will be missed by all of us."

Each and every day, this entertaining teacher seemed to always bring laughter to his classroom. His energetic teaching style and amusing anecdotes made his classes tons of fun. Students always enjoyed his classes because of his humorous stories and classroom antics.

In addition to teaching, this tireless individual found time to coach. Coach Butch Kiser responded, *"I have a lot of respect for him as a classroom teacher and as a coach. He has dedicated himself to his students, to his fellow coaches, and to the school administration."*

Whether on the field or in the classroom, this inspiring teacher has brought love and dedication to his work. His teaching style has been one of a kind, and it will never be duplicated. His classes have been both exciting and fun to hundreds of students over the years. His teaching has not only displayed his comical side, but it has also been very educational. He has taken great pride in his work, and we have taken a great deal of pride in him.

We are proud to dedicate the 1999 *Castletonian* to Mr. Allen Wells.





The neck bone's connected to the . . . Mr. Wells assists Juniors Danielle Holbrook, Drew Meade, and Chad Fields during a dissecting experiment in Biology II. Every class seemed to enjoy dissecting because it gave them a chance to get out of their desks and get their hands dirty. Mr. Wells always seemed to have a joke ready to ease those who seemed a little queasy about the idea.

POP QUIZ:

1. What was Mr. Wells' favorite thing to dissect?
 - A. A sheep's eye
 - B. An earthworm
 - C. A fetal pig
 - D. A sheep's heart
2. What other class has Mr. Wells taught besides biology?
 - A. History
 - B. Algebra
 - C. Accounting
 - D. English



In the huddle . . . Coach Wells contemplates what play the J.V. Football Team should make during a time out at the home game against Clintwood. Coach Wells dedicated many years and a lot of time coaching the J.V. Football Team.

POP QUIZ:

3. What was Coach Wells' favorite greeting both on and off the field?
 - A. "What's up?"
 - B. "Hello."
 - C. "Howdy!"
 - D. "Hidey Ho!"

One of the gang . . . Mr. Wells hangs out in the library and helps Senior Tracy Meade and Junior Brandon Bush with their Biology II assignment. Students felt comfortable asking Mr. Wells questions and joking around with him. He usually made up nicknames for them all after he got to know them.

POP QUIZ:

4. What was Mr. Wells' nickname?
 - A. Brother Wells
 - B. Well Wisher
 - C. Big Bad Biology Man
 - D. Fred

Dedication

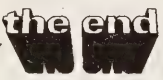
the Season's Over

The End of the School Year Meant Something Different to Everyone

As the  began to go  and the  of days on the  went , students

and faculty alike, wondered just what, if anything, they had accomplished during the year. Well, for  thing

everyone survived the  **SOL**'s — no matter how painful it was. For some students making the  was their biggest accomplishment while others felt they had accomplished something just by passing English with a **D-**.

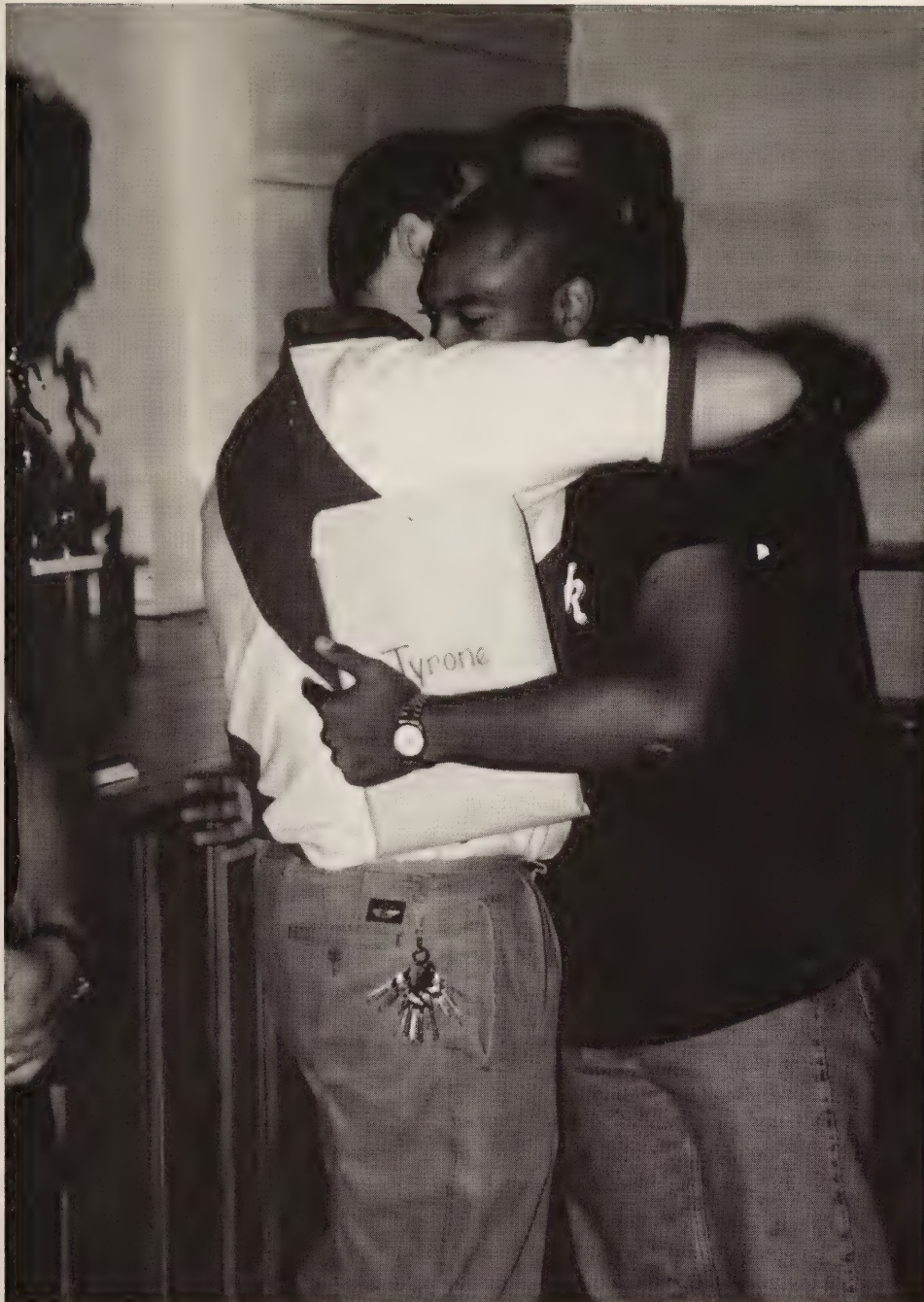
By  of the year one thing was clear, whether they chose to take the easy path or the hard ,

in the end everyone found his or her own way out of the . The eighth graders had survived that bumpy trip, while the freshmen and sophomores tried to gain some ground. The juniors prepared to start on the last miles of their journey and the  just remembered 'what a long strange trip it had been.'



Final steps . . . Above, Seniors Shannon Phillips and Jessica Bradley walk down the hall after the Sunday Baccalaureate Services. Above right, Senior Justin Collins reminisces and looks back on his days as a high school student as he gladly cleans out his locker for the last time. Right, Junior McKinsey Huff, Sophomore Chase King, and Junior Amy Jones proudly stand on the stage in front of the student body and faculty on Academic Awards Day as they are sworn in as the new President, Vice President, and Secretary-Treasurer of the Student Cooperative Association. As the school year drew to an end, underclassmen valued the last days of school as they looked forward to summer vacation. Seniors really valued each last moment together as a class as they counted down the final days until Graduation. Although the end of school left a void in students' daily routine, each student knew the following year would bring changes and new opportunities.





I'll miss you . . . Coach Roberson gives one of his Senior football players, Tyrone House, a hug on Athletic Awards Day. This day was bittersweet for coaches as they congratulated the Seniors and said good-bye to them at the same time.

Did You Think You'd Never Find Out?

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Happy to help . . . Junior Beta Club Member Shonna Glover hands out ribbons for the tug-of-war competition at The Russell County Games in Lebanon. Members of Beta, S.O.D.A. and PAL's enjoyed their final club excursion by lending a helping hand to others.

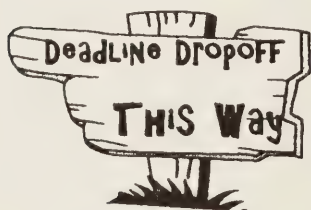
CAMP 103

Brave and adventurous students, wishing to show their creativity and get out of the usual monotony of routine schoolwork, followed the call of the wild into Journalism class. Room 103 was transformed into a battleground of layouts, pictures, and croppers. Each member of the Journalism army faced his or her deadlines head on. Often, Journalism students were seen "camping" out on the homestead to complete the never ending pile up of work.

On any given day Journalism students could be found hiking out into the "wild blue yonder" for quotes, pictures, or new ideas. This hike, however, was far from the usual nature trek through the woods. A better comparison, perhaps, would be a safari walk through the jungle. Journalism students were sometimes ready, on more than one occasion, to pack up their tents and head home. However, most found that if they could survive this "wild" chaos, the benefits far outweighed all the avalanches. Senior Tonya Amos voiced her opinion, *"Journalism has been a hectic way of life for me, sometimes I don't know whether I'm coming or going! However, along with the hustle and bustle, I have learned to handle a tremendous amount of responsibility that I never thought I'd normally be able to deal with."*

While camping out would normally be considered a relaxing break, camp outs on deadline nights were certainly no vacation. As Yearbook Editor Amanda Saddler said, *"I think I am probably the only student I know that would actually stay at school for sixteen hours straight to do work! But, even though spending endless hours sitting at a computer in 103, and sometimes being the last student to go home after school, isn't exactly my idea of fun, I knew it had to be done to finish this yearbook."*

It was true; Journalism would drive the average troops away, but students in Camp 103 bravely faced the challenge before them and ultimately completed their mission - *The Best Yearbook of All Time.*



Bunch of outdoorsmen . . . The members of the Yearbook Staff show off their *natural* side as they hang out for a group picture in the woods behind the baseball field.

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Dear Readers,

Hi! I hope you enjoyed the book. We sure spent a lot of time working on it! Just for your information, Taylor Publishing, in Dallas, Texas published our 176 page, 7 3/4" x 10 1/2" book which featured an original cover designed by the yearbook staff. The colors used were X9193 and X9011 with gold foil for the title and name stamping. Endsheets are tan parchment. Original art was supplied by Mindscape. Body copy type is 10 pt. Garamond and captions are 8 pts. Various team and action pictures were taken by Olan Mills of Bristol, TN. Well, once again I hope you had fun looking at the book and I hope you'll treasure it as much as I do.

Sincerely,

Amanda Saddler

Editor-in-Chief

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The Dixie Chicks

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Peace in the Middle East

In a deal brokered by President Bill Clinton and the late King Hussein of Jordan, Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat and Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu sign the Wye River Memorandum, the first step toward a permanent peace in the Middle East.



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Hurricane Mitch

Hurricane Mitch cuts a wide path of destruction through Mexico and Central America, causing millions of dollars in damage and leaving millions homeless.



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Jesse Ventura

Former professional wrestler Jesse "The Body" Ventura is elected governor of Minnesota in a stunning come-from-behind victory.

Embassy Bombings

Embassies in Nairobi, Kenya and Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, are ripped apart by terrorists' bombs that explode almost simultaneously. U.S. officials suspect renegade Saudi billionaire Osama bin Laden in the attacks.



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North Ireland Peace Accords

Irish Prime Minister Bertie Ahern and British Prime Minister Tony Blair shake hands after signing a historic peace agreement between Britain and Northern Ireland.



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Russian Economy

Political and social crises grip Russia as the economy tumbles. The value of the ruble drops by half, banks close and the stock market crashes.

farewell & goodbye

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Florence Griffith Joyner
Lawton Chiles
Flip Wilson
Alan Shephard Jr.
Frank Sinatra

Roy Rogers
Gene Autry
Tammy Wynette
George Wallace
Barry Goldwater
King Hussein I



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War over Iraq

United Nations weapons inspectors arrive at the U.N. headquarters in Baghdad. After Iraq's refusal to cooperate with the inspectors, Allied planes and missiles were launched against Iraqi targets in Operation Desert Fox.



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Swiss Air Flight 111

Swiss Air flight 111, en route from New York City to Geneva, Switzerland, crashed off the coast of Nova Scotia just over an hour after taking off. None of the 229 passengers on board survived.



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Newt's farewell

Newt Gingrich

Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., resigns after Republicans lose ground in the fall congressional elections.

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Crisis in the White House

Scandal rocks the White House as President Bill Clinton is accused of perjury and obstruction of justice. In an impeachment trial before the U.S. Senate, President Clinton is acquitted of the charges.

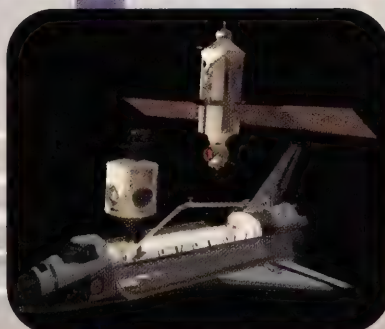
John Glenn

Thirty-six years after being the first American in orbit, retired U.S. Senator John Glenn returned to space aboard Space Shuttle Endeavour. At the age of 77, he became the oldest astronaut in space.



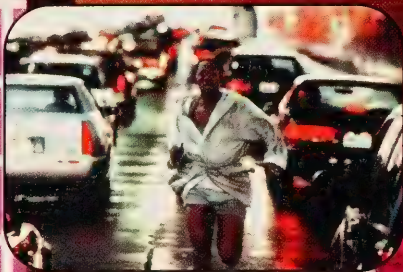
International Space Station

Space Shuttle Endeavour, shown in this NASA graphic, works on the International Space Station as it orbits the Earth during its 12-day mission.



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movies



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Enemy of the State

A chance encounter with a friend has Will Smith framed for murder and running for his life in the action thriller *Enemy of the State*.

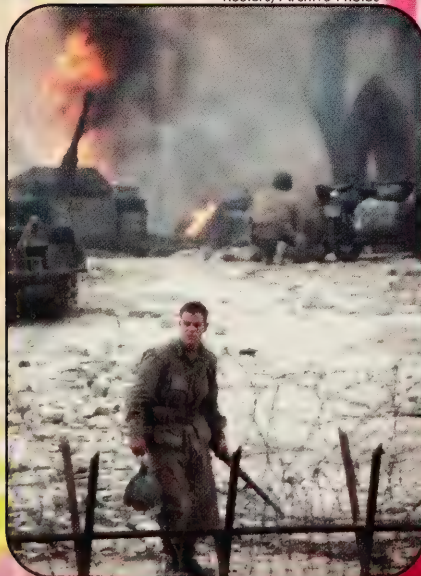


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Antz and A Bug's Life

The box office was covered in insects as Dreamworks released *Antz* while Disney and Pixar released *A Bug's Life*.

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The Waterboy

Adam Sandler returns to the screen in the hit movie *The Waterboy*. Sandler plays Bobby Boucher, a 31-year-old college freshman who turns years of aggression into success on the football field.



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Dr. Dolittle

Eddie Murphy stars as Dr. Dolittle, a physician who is able to talk to animals in this remake of the 1967 classic.

Saving Private Ryan

Tom Hanks leads a squad of soldiers on a dangerous mission in the World War II movie *Saving Private Ryan*. The critically acclaimed film also stars Matt Damon, Edward Burns and Tom Sizemore.

Top Ten Movies

1. Armageddon
2. Saving Private Ryan
3. Something About Mary
4. The Waterboy
5. A Bug's Life
6. Dr. Dolittle
7. Deep Impact
8. Rush Hour
9. Godzilla
10. Lethal Weapon 4



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Armageddon

Touchstone Pictures blasts Bruce Willis and a band of oil-drilling misfits into space on a mission to destroy an earthbound asteroid in the fast-paced action thriller *Armageddon*.



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Shakespeare in Love

In *Shakespeare in Love*, Joseph Fiennes stars as the young playwright Will Shakespeare. Suffering from writer's block, he is unable to make any progress with his latest work until he meets the lovely Viola, played by Gwyneth Paltrow.

music



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Alanis Morissette

Canadian bad girl Alanis Morissette releases *Supposed Former Infatuation Junkie*, the highly anticipated follow-up to her multiplatinum debut, *Jagged Little Pill*.



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Beastie Boys

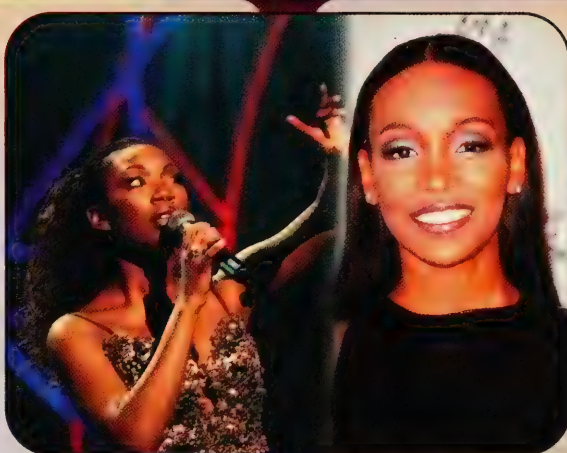
The Beastie Boys blast back onto the scene with *Hello Nasty*.



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Dave Matthews

Dave Matthews and guitarist Tim Reynolds release *Live at Luther College* to critical acclaim.



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Brandi and Monica

Brandi and Monica spend 13 weeks at number one with *The Boy is Mine*.



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Garth Brooks

His newest album, *Double Live*, sells over one million copies in its first week of release.



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Mariah Carey

Mariah Carey fans get a double dose as Mariah releases *#1's* and appears on *VH1: Divas Live* with Aretha Franklin, Shania Twain, Celine Dion and Gloria Estefan.



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Dixie Chicks

Their major label debut, *Wide Open Spaces*, shoots to number one on the country music charts.

Top Five Albums

1. VARIOUS ARTISTS:
Titanic Soundtrack
2. BACKSTREET BOYS:
Backstreet Boys
3. CELINE DION:
Let's Talk About Love
4. SHANIA TWAIN:
Come On Over
5. "N SYNC
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Dawson's Creek

Set in the small town of Capeside, Massachusetts, *Dawson's Creek* follows the lives of four teenagers trying to make sense of their future and the world around them.



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Jessie

Christina Applegate sheds her ditzy Kelly Bundy image by starring in the hit show *Jessie*.



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Drew Carey

Wednesday night has doubled the laughter as ABC's hit *The Drew Carey Show* is followed by Carey's new show, *Whose Line is it Anyway?*

Felicity

WB launched another hit show in the fall of 1998 with the college drama *Felicity*. Keri Russell stars as Felicity Porter, a young pre-med student who leaves home to face life in New York City.



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Friends

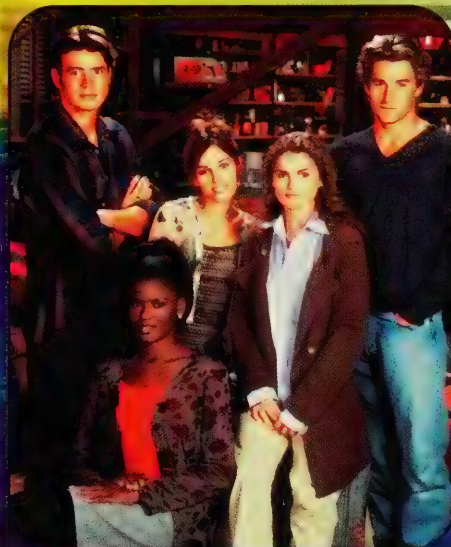
The cast of *Friends* continues to amuse audiences with a fresh approach to comedy and hilarious stories of everyday life.



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Ally McBeal

The hottest show on television stars Calista Flockhart as the lovable Ally McBeal, a young lawyer who is constantly entangling herself in humorous and touching problems that showcase the acting abilities of a first-rate ensemble cast.



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Spin City

Spin City's Michael J. Fox once again proves he has the "spin" on things by winning the Golden Globe's Award for Best Actor in a Television Series - Musical or Comedy.

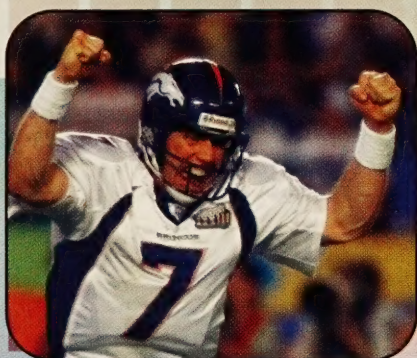


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SportsCenter

With one-liners, funny commercials and total sports coverage, ESPN's *SportsCenter* has changed the way people get their sports information. From slam dunks to sports bloopers, *SportsCenter* gets the information out before the morning newspapers are off the presses.

sports



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Super Bowl XXXIII

Quarterback John Elway shows his excitement as the Denver Broncos defeat the Atlanta Falcons to win back-to-back Super Bowls.



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Jana Novotna

Jana Novotna hugs her Wimbledon trophy after defeating France's Nathalie Tauziat in the women's singles final.



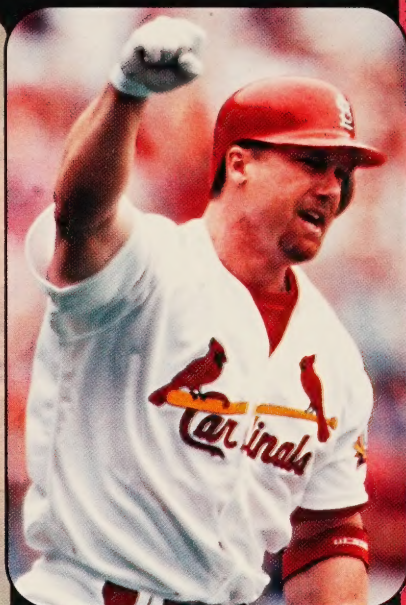
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NBA Lockout

NBA Players Association Executive Director Billy Hunter and NBA Commissioner David Stern shake hands at a news conference in New York City, announcing a collective bargaining agreement to end the 191-day NBA player lockout.

Mark McGwire

St. Louis Cardinal Mark McGwire hits 70 home runs and breaks the single season home run record previously held by Roger Maris for 37 years.



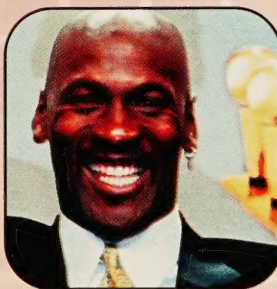
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Jeff Gordon

Jeff Gordon wins the 1999 Daytona 500. With three championships under his belt and a new video game, Jeff Gordon XS Racing, Gordon remains NASCAR's most popular driver.



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Michael Jordan

After great success with the Chicago Bulls, Michael Jordan announces his 99.9% retirement from basketball.



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World Series

The New York Yankees celebrate after winning the 1998 World Series. The win marked the team's 24th World Series title.



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World Cup

France defeats Brazil in a 3-0 upset victory in the World Cup Finals in July. France was the first host nation to win in 20 years.

trends



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Furby

Furby, the hottest new toy of the year, has six built-in sensors that allow it to respond to touch, light, sound, motion, or its horizontal or vertical positioning. It speaks its own language known as "Furbish," but can also be taught English as well as other tricks.



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Jesse Camp

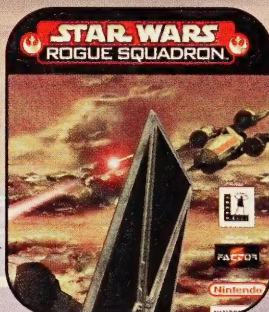
Jesse Camp won MTV's *Become a VJ* contest and cashed in on the \$25,000 prize. He became one of the most popular personalities and host of his own show, *Lunch with Jesse*.



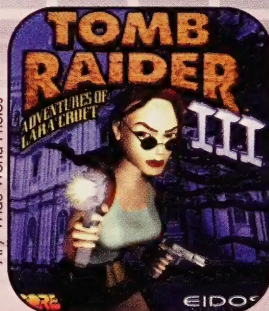
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Jewelry

Jewelry designers saw a boost in sales when jewelry designed in the form of flowers and animals became the latest accessory rage.



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Rogue Squadron/ Tomb Raider III

Nintendo's *Star Wars: Rogue Squadron* and Lara Croft's newest adventure, *Tomb Raider III*, became the hottest-selling games of the Christmas season.



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iMac

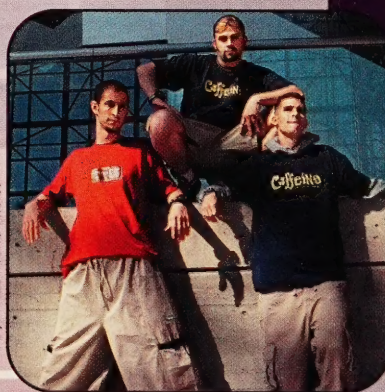
In the fall of 1998 Apple released its new, affordable iMac computer. With multi-colored shells, easy setup and quick access to the Internet, the iMac quickly became the best-selling computer in 1998.



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WWJD?

What Would Jesus Do? jewelry, clothing and posters became a hit with teens in 1998.



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Cargo Pants

Comfort and style is what society demanded. The fashion industry responded with cargo pants, the hottest-selling style of the year.

The logo for Taylor, featuring a stylized checkered flag icon to the left of the word "Taylor" in a bold, italicized sans-serif font, with a thin curved line underneath.